

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

RFP 2023-6-NHID – Analysis of Proposed State Health Benefit Mandates

ANSWERS TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS' QUESTIONS

1. Question:

When is the most likely time of year that the Department might request an analysis?

Answer:

The Department typically receives requests from the legislature while the legislature is in session in the spring or during the summer if a potential mandate has been referred to interim study. However, such requests could come in throughout the year.

2. Question:

Would a simple analysis require consideration of just one of the impacts in section 2.2?

Answer:

No. All analyses must address all the factors outlined in section 2.2. However, in a simple analysis, not all the factors will need to be addressed with an in-depth analysis. The extent of analysis will be dependent on the proposal. The Department would consider a simple analysis to include a high-level analysis of the factors outlined in Section 2.2. All analyses would need to include an estimate of the impact to the cost of insurance in terms of a per member per month (PMPM) value. By contrast, a complex review would likely include an in-depth analysis of each of the factors outlined in Section 2.2.

3. Question:

Would the Department anticipate different timelines for preparing a simple vs a complex analysis?

Answer:

Yes. A simple review is expected to include less analysis and should therefore take less time. Once the Department receives a proposed mandate review request, the Department will work with the Vendor to establish an appropriate timeline for the type of analysis required for the specific proposal.

4. Question:

Could the Department point us to an example of legislation in a previous year that might have required a simple analysis and an example that might have required a complex analysis?

Answer:

No. With this current RFP, the Department is adjusting how proposed mandate studies are reported. This RFP adds specificity and requirements that had not been included in prior mandate studies. Additionally, the Department cannot predict what type of mandate proposals it will receive in the future and therefore it is difficult to predict what type of analysis will be required. Deadlines imposed by the legislature may also have an impact on the extent of the analysis that may be performed.

5. Question:

Should the price proposal be submitted in a separate document from the Technical Proposal?

Answer:

Yes. As stated in Section 7, "The Price proposal must be labeled clearly and submitted separately from the technical proposal." The price proposal and technical proposal should be submitted electronically as two separate document files.