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The AHCCCS Administration received inquiries from external parties that may not pertain to the RFP. The AHCCCS Administration has provided the following responses to these inquiries as they may be relevant for interested parties.

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Is there a dial in that potential bidders could use to participate in the Bidder's Conference on Tuesday Nov. 8 if the bidder is unable to attend in person?	No, there is not a dial-in available for the conference.
Is it possible to get a list of the potential bidders and contact information based on attendees at the bidder's conference?	Please submit a public records request specifying the public records that are sought from the AHCCCS Administration.
I am writing with regard to the newly released RFP about Long Term Care System Elderly & Physical Disability Program contract for contractors (RFP# YH18-0001). I saw somewhere in the Pending Issues section (page 156) that the state is considering implementing an EVV system. Just want to know if the State has a timeline regarding the release of an RFP for this service or what phase are you on for this project.	AHCCCS solicited public comments regarding EVV and potential models for use in the ALTCS E/PD Program. Subsequently, AHCCCS issued a Request for Information on March 30, 2016, soliciting responses from EVV vendors to explore opportunities that may exist in the marketplace. AHCCCS continues to explore such opportunities; therefore, the ALTCS E/PD RFP does not include an EVV mandate but contains language regarding AHCCCS' interest in implementing EVV during the Term of the Contract. No additional information is available at this time.
<p>I am emailing you in order to find some answers and if you are not the right person to contact maybe you can direct me to someone in your organization that is.</p> <p>I work for a manufacturer of ostomy supplies, catheters and wound care dressings and I am trying to understand that Arizona Medicaid plan. The products I am questioning coverage for fall under DME(durable Medical Equipment or disposable medical supplies).</p> <p>Some of the questions I have are: Is there still a fee-for-service Medicaid plan in Arizona? Or is it all managed? Is there a fee schedule? I could not find one online. Who are the managed plans through (what companies)? Where can patients get their medical supplies through? Is there a</p>	<p>Is there still a fee-for-service Medicaid plan in Arizona? Yes.</p> <p>Is there a fee schedule? See link: https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/RatesAndBilling/FFS/Physicianrates/</p> <p>Who are the managed plans through (what companies)? Current managed care plans are available here: https://azahcccs.gov/Members/ProgramsAndCoveredServices/availablehealthplans.html</p> <p>Where can patients get their medical supplies through? Managed care plan or FFS Is there a specific supplier they must utilize? For FFS: Any AHCCCS registered provider For Managed Care: An AHCCCS registered provider, contracted with the health plan.</p>



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<p>specific supplier they must utilize? See also the AHCCCS Provider listing at the following link: What is the coverage like for ostomy, catheters and wound care dressings? Please let me know who can help me to answer these questions.</p>	<p>See also the AHCCCS Provider listing at the following link: https://www.azahcccs.gov/Members/ProgramsAndCoveredServices/ProviderListings/</p> <p>What is the coverage like for ostomy, catheters and wound care dressings? See AMPM: https://azahcccs.gov/shared/MedicalPolicyManual/</p>
<p>I just wanted to inquire if the agency will release the pre-bidders conference attendee list from Tuesday, Nov 8, 2016?</p>	<p>Please submit a public records request specifying the public records that are sought from the AHCCCS Administration.</p>
<p>Do we know the MCO's that will be bidding on the 2017 ALTCS RFP yet? I work for a Personal Emergency Response provider called CST your Link to Life.</p>	<p>The AHCCCS Administration is authorized by administrative regulation and the RFP to disclose the names of Offerors after the deadline for submission of Proposals, January 23, 2017. See A.A.C. R9-28-601 and R9-22-602 as well as ALTCS E/PD RFP Section H.</p>
<p>We are developing an article about provisions of the AHCCCS/ ALTCS RFP for long-term care for the next edition of the OPEN MINDS Weekly News Wire (niche trade publication, description below). The article is tentatively scheduled to finalize Friday evening, November 11th. Via this e-mail, OPEN MINDS is notifying your organization about the pending article, and requesting a few clarifications.</p> <p>If you have questions or concerns, or would like to review a prepublication copy of the article currently in development, please contact us by 3:00 PM on Wednesday, November 9th or sooner. We are drawing information for the article from the documents posted at https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/HealthPlans/YH18-0001.html.</p> <p>Clarifications requested:</p> <p>Is this a straight rebid of an existing contract</p>	<p>We are developing an article about provisions of the AHCCCS/ ALTCS RFP for long-term care for the next edition of the OPEN MINDS Weekly News Wire (niche trade publication, description below). The article is tentatively scheduled to finalize Friday evening, November 11th. Via this e-mail, OPEN MINDS is notifying your organization about the pending article, and requesting a few clarifications.</p> <p>If you have questions or concerns, or would like to review a prepublication copy of the article currently in development, please contact us by 3:00 PM on Wednesday, November 9th or sooner. We are drawing information for the article from the documents posted at https://www.azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/HealthPlans/YH18-0001.html</p> <p>Clarifications requested:</p> <p>Is this a straight rebid of an existing contract vehicle? If not,</p>

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<p>vehicle? If not, what has changed?</p> <p>What are the names of the current ALTCS contract holders? What regions to they serve? When were the previous contracts awarded? How many people statewide receive the ALTCS services?</p> <p>Who can our readers contact at AHCCCS for more information about the ALTCS system?</p>	<p>what has changed?</p> <p>No. This is a new RFP with new provisions. See RFP Bidders' Library: https://azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/HealthPlans/YH18-0001.html</p> <p>What are the names of the current ALTCS contract holders? What regions to they serve? When were the previous contracts awarded?</p> <p>Available Long Term Care Contractors are available here: https://azweb.statemedicaid.us/HealthPlanLinksNet/HPLinks.aspx</p> <p>How many people statewide receive the ALTCS services? See page 33 of the RFP which states: The ALTCS population is 58,654 as of October 1, 2016. Approximately 50% of members in the ALTCS Program are individuals who are elderly and/or who have physical disabilities.</p> <p>Who can our readers contact at AHCCCS for more information about the ALTCS system? Please specify what information you are looking for. The AHCCCS website contains extensive information about the ALTCS program.</p>
<p>To Whom It May Concern: Under the Arizona Public Records Law § 39.101 et seq., I am requesting a copy of the Attendees List for the Prospective Offerors' Conference that was held on November 8, 2016 and hosted by ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION (AHCCCS) in connection with SOLICITATION # YH18-0001 Please advise If there are any fees in connection with providing us with the Attendees List. Please respond to this request in a reasonable time period. If access to the records I am requesting will take longer, please contact me with information about when I might expect copies or the ability to inspect the requested records. If you deny any or all of this request, please cite each specific exemption you feel justifies the refusal to</p>	<p>The Sign-In Sheets for the Prospective Offeror's Conference and Technical Interface Meetings have been provided on the Bidders' Library.. Simply click on this link: https://azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/HealthPlans/YH18-0001.html then navigate to "prospective Offeror's Conference and technical interface meeting" and you should see a link for "sign in sheet" for both the morning and afternoon sessions.</p>

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<p>release the information and notify me of the appeal procedures available to me under the law. Thank you for considering my request.</p>	
<p>I represent the [Company Name Redacted]. Several AHCCCS questions came up at our meeting over the weekend. I offered to contact you and disseminate the information to our interested members instead of having numerous ODs trying to contact AHCCCS with the same questions. I hope this makes it easier on everyone.</p> <p>1) Is the RFP process still open for 2017? 2) Can individual doctors or practices apply to be providers, or just MCO's or other types of organizations? And Is this answer the same regardless of whether MD, DO, OD or DDS? 3) Can ODs that are participating providers bill for both vision codes (92000's) and medical codes (99000's)? within our scope of practice, of course. 4) How do we find out who the new MCO's will be in 2017 and beyond? Are these organizations responsible for provider credentialing and maintenance of the provider panels?</p>	<p>1) Is the RFP process still open for 2017? Yes. Refer to the E/PD RFP Bidders' Library: https://azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/HealthPlans/YH18-0001.html</p> <p>2) Can individual doctors or practices apply to be providers, or just MCO's or other types of organizations? And Is this answer the same regardless of whether MD, DO, OD or DDS? This is seeking contracts with managed care organizations/health plans (payers) rather than contracts with providers. AHCCCS does not release any RFPs related to providers except in certain situations.</p> <p>3) Can ODs that are participating providers bill for both vision codes (92000's) and medical codes (99000's)? within our scope of practice, of course. This is beyond the scope of the RFP.</p> <p>4) How do we find out who the new MCO's will be in 2017 and beyond? Refer to the E/PD RFP Bidders' Library – Anticipated Procurement Timeline and Stakeholder Forums: https://azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/HealthPlans/YH18-0001.html</p> <p>Are these organizations responsible for provider credentialing and maintenance of the provider panels? Yes.</p>
<p>I was hoping that there was a way to gain further insight on this new provision. [Company name redacted] provides both Staffing and Homecare services across the nation. I specifically work in Arizona and very interested in this topic as it relates to the healthcare landscape.</p> <p>Arizona's Next MTLSS Contracts To Link 50% Of Payments To Value-Based Strategies</p> <p><i>'The next Arizona Medicaid contracts for</i></p>	<p>Please refer to the RFP Section D, Paragraph 80, Value-Based Purchasing (page 158-159) available at this link under the Request for Proposal subheading: https://azahcccs.gov/PlansProviders/HealthPlans/YH18-0001.html</p>



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<p><i>managed long-term services and supports (MLTSS) feature provisions to link half of payments to value-based purchasing strategies by the end of calendar year 2019. On November 1, 2016, the Arizona Medicaid system released request for proposals (RFP # YH18-0001) for the next Arizona Long Term Care Services (ALTCS) contracts for services for elderly beneficiaries or those with physical disabilities (E/PD); proposals are due January 23, 2017. Award announcements are slated for March 2017, with the anticipated contract start data on October 1, 2017. The state anticipates awarding one contract for the . . .</i></p>	