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***Request for Qualifications 16-08-P, Workers Compensation
Questions and Answers
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- 1. Does Aiken County Government have a designated toxicology lab for urine drug screens? **Situation dependent.** If so, please provide detail. **If between the hours of 7:00 am - 3:30 pm, Monday - Friday, performed by Aiken Regional Medical Centers/Business & Industry, If after stated hours, performed by treating physician's lab/hospital lab.*****
- 2. Does Aiken County Government have a designated Medical Review Officer? **Yes** If so, please provide detail. **For EMS*****
- 3. Does. Aiken County Government use a Business Associate (for example, eScreen or other) for urine drug screens or other laboratory testing? **Currently - yes** If so, please provide detail. **Current provider - normal business hours uses eScreen. If after-hours, depends on facility is seen at.*****
- 4. How many after hours urine drug screens and breath alcohol tests have been done for Aiken County Government in the past year? **Estimated - less than 20** Where was collection/test done? **Depends on facility employee was treated*****
- 5. Who is Aiken County Government's Designated Employer Representative (DER) for urine drug screen and alcohol testing program? **Currently - Risk Manager for work related injuries, Human Resources Director for non-work related.** Please name the primary DER and the secondary DER. **Ruth Gordy - work related injuries, Gayle Wolman - non-work related injuries (i.e. reasonable suspicion, etc.)*****
- 6. Does Aiken County Government pay for post-injury urine drug screens and breath alcohol testing separately from the workers' compensation claim, or does Aiken County prefer that these are billed and paid by your workers' compensation administrator as part of the claim? **Billed separately to Aiken County Government*****
- 7. Is Aiken County Government self-insured for workers' compensation? **Yes*****
- 8. Who is the workers' compensation insurer/administrator? **Hewitt Coleman and Associates, Inc.*****



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9. *Who is the claims administrator contact for workers' compensation? **Gwen Gerisch***
10. *Does Aiken County Government have preferred specialist physicians for work injuries? **Yes** Other providers for therapies such as physical therapy, diagnostic services such as MRI or CT, or other ancillary medical services? **Yes** Please describe. **Preferences depend on the nature of the injury/illness***
11. *Does Aiken County Government have modified/transitional work program for work injuries? **Yes - injury dependent***
12. *Who is the Aiken County Government point of contact for work injuries? Primary contact? **County Risk Manager - currently Ruth L. Gordy** Secondary contact? **Employee health nurse on Contract.** After hours? **County Risk Manager - currently Ruth Gordy***
13. *Are there any employees with job responsibilities that require physician oversight or direction (such as emergency responders or others who may perform work requiring the direction of a physician)? **Yes** Please describe those employee roles and responsibilities. **EMT's and paramedics - responsibilities not pertinent to this contract/***
14. *Where are employee work locations? **Aiken County has employees located in multiple locations in Aiken County** How many employees are assigned to the work locations? **It depends on the department and functions performed at the various locations.***
15. *How many employees are included in Aiken County Government are included in your exposure control plan and will be offered hepatitis B prophylaxis? **Approximately 350***
16. *Will lab services for source of bloodborne pathogen exposure be included in post-exposure testing? **Yes** Will these services be paid by Aiken County Government? **If it is a work related injury, paid by third party administrator***