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NEWS RELEASE

VENDOR PROPOSALS SOUGHT FOR FIREFIGHTER EARLY DETECTION CANCER SCREENING PILOT PROGRAM

CONCORD, N.H. – The New Hampshire Department of Safety, Division of Fire Standards and Training & Emergency Medical Services is seeking proposals from vendors who can provide testing services for an early detection cancer screening pilot program for active and retired firefighters in New Hampshire.

This pilot program, established per Governor Sununu's signing of Senate Bill 352 in July, represents a critical initiative aimed at addressing elevated cancer risks associated with firefighting. The program seeks to enhance early detection, improve health outcomes, and support firefighters in managing their occupational health. A committee consisting of representatives from the Professional Firefighters of New Hampshire, the New Hampshire Association of Fire Chief's, and the Department of Safety's Division of Fire Standards and Training and Emergency Medical Services, with oversight from Commissioner Quinn, was established to develop an initial plan to administer the program, which was approved by the Governor.

A Request for Proposals (RFP) <u>has been published</u> on the State's Procurement and Support Services website. The RFP is divided into four components: third-party administration (TPA) of the pilot program; a blood test that detects signals from as many cancer types as possible; ultrasound diagnostic screening; and lung computed tomography (CT), if indicated.

Interested and eligible bidders can submit proposals for one, multiple or all components of the RFP. Each component will be evaluated independently based on the proposals submitted. All contracts with selected vendors will be submitted to the Governor and Executive Council for final approval.

Per the RFP, proposals from interested vendors must be submitted by Feb. 19, 2025.

Please note that all inquiries concerning the RFP, including but not limited to, requests for clarifications, questions, any changes to the RFP, and any exceptions to the contract terms in Appendix A, including the Form P-37, shall be submitted via email to Heather Clough at heather-c.c.clough@dos.nh.gov.