

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS - RFP No. RP432-2016-01

For Evaluation of the Electronic Synoptic Pathology Reporting Initiative

Date: April 19, 2016

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS - Final

Please see the answers below regarding any questions raised in relation to this RFP.

*1. Question:*

*Would you prefer that the proponent has an oncology expert on the team? We are considering bringing on a contact from a pediatric cancer organization, but are unsure if this would be viewed favorably or if you would rather not have any cancer organization involved in the conduct of the research.*

Answer:

An oncology expert is not a prerequisite for the successful project team. Expertise in change management and large-scale technology implementations would be of value. Any experts engaged as part of the evaluation would have to be in compliance with the Partnership's code of conduct and conflict of interest policies.

*2. Question:*

*Beyond the report, may we propose additional deliverables (within budget) that we feel may be valuable to CPAC for knowledge exchange?*

Answer:

Yes.

*3. Question:*

*Would it be acceptable to complete all project deliverables using an accelerated timeline?*

Answer:

To some extent, provided the deliverables produced would be of the required quality. The successful Proponent will produce the qualitative

evaluation and the Partnership will carry out the quantitative analysis so it will be important to ensure that the timing is complementary.

4. *Question:*

*Will the final report consist of only findings and results from the jurisdictional survey, or other researched data as well? What level of existing and other researched data does the Partnership expect to be integrated into the final report?*

Answer:

The primary source for results will be surveys and interviews of the jurisdictions. If the Proponent is able to demonstrate that incorporating other researched data would add value to the evaluation without compromising the budget and timing then the Partnership will take that into consideration, when reviewing the Proposals.

5. *Question:*

*At what level can we expect the Partnership to facilitate the selection and introduction of key informants to interview?*

Answer:

The Partnership has a list of key informants and will make the introductions on behalf of the successful Proponent.

6. *Question:*

*What is the expected distribution of representatives from each informant group that the Partnership envisions during the interview/information gathering process?*

Answer:

The distribution of different kinds of key informants (provincial project teams, provincial project clinical leads; ESPRI Clinical Lead, vendors, cancer care agencies) will vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction and is dependent on how a jurisdiction is organized. The ideal distribution will be discussed with the successful Proponent.