



Travis County Commissioners Court Agenda Request

Meeting Date: Tuesday, February 19, 2013

Prepared By/Phone Number: C.W. Bruner, 854-9760

Elected/Appointed Official/Dept. Head: Cyd Grimes

Commissioners Court Sponsor: Judge Biscoe

Agenda Language: Approve twelve-month extension (Modification No. 13) to Contract No. 4400000001 (HTE Contract No. 01T0069-OJ), Forte, Inc., for medical audit services.

- **Purchasing Recommendation and Comments:** Purchasing concurs with department and recommends approval of requested action. This procurement action meets the compliance requirements as outlined by the statutes.

The contract provides Medical Audit Services for HRMD. The Commissioners Court approved the award of this contract on February 27, 2001. On February 8, 2005, the Commissioners Court approved an Exemption Order exempting this contract from the competitive bidding requirements of the County Purchasing Act as a professional service.

This Modification No. 13 will extend the contract period for an additional twelve months, through March 1, 2014, and will increase the contract amount by 3%, which is permitted pursuant to Section 16.0, Changes, of the contract.

Modification No. 12 extended the contract period for an additional twelve months, through March 1, 2012. It also amended the contract to disallow the use of Preferred Provider Organization services for Workers' Compensation benefits after December 31, 2010. The modification was approved by the Commissioners Court on December 21, 2010.

Modification No. 11 extended the contract period for an additional twelve months, through March 1, 2012. It also amended the contract to disallow the use of Preferred Provider Organization services for Workers' Compensation benefits after December 31, 2010. The modification was approved by the Commissioners Court on December 21, 2010.

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Modification No. 10 extended the contract period for an additional twelve months, through March 1, 2011. It was approved by the Commissioners Court on February 16, 2010.

Modification No. 9 extended the contract period for an additional twelve months, through March 1, 2010. It was approved by the Commissioners Court on February 24, 2009.

Modification No. 8 changed the contractor's name from Forte Managed Care to Forte, Inc. It was approved by the Purchasing Agent on July 18, 2008.

Modification No. 7 extended the contract period for an additional twelve months, through March 1, 2009. It was approved by the Purchasing Agent on February 13, 2008.

Modification No. 6 extended the contract period for an additional twelve months, through March 1, 2008. It was approved by the Purchasing Agent on February 20, 2007.

Modification No. 5 extended the contract period for an additional twelve months, through March 1, 2007. It was approved by the Commissioners Court on February 14, 2006.

Modification No. 4 extended the contract period for an additional twelve months, through March 1, 2006. It was approved by the Commissioners Court on February 22, 2005.

Modification No. 3 extended the contract period for an additional twelve months, through March 1, 2005. It was approved by the Commissioners Court on February 10, 2004.

Modification No. 2 extended the contract period for an additional twelve months, through March 1, 2004. It was approved by the Commissioners Court on February 18, 2003.

Modification No. 1 extended the contract period for an additional twelve months, through March 1, 2003. It was approved by the Commissioners Court on February 12, 2002.

➤ **Contract Modification Information:**

Modification Amount: \$283,332.00 (Estimate)

Modification Type: Bilateral

Modification Period: March 1, 2013 – March 1, 2014

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➤ **Funding Information:**

SAP Shopping Cart # / Funds Reservation #: 3000000502

Funding Account(s):

Comments:

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February 11, 2013

TO: C.W. Bruner, Purchasing Agent Assistant IV

FROM: William Paterson, Risk Manager, HRMD

Re; Contract No. 01T0069-OJ
Case Management, Utilization Review and Medical Bill Audit
Services
Forte Managed Care

Vendor services related to the above contract have been performed to the County's satisfaction. Please initiate the extension of their contract to the last option period. The contract pricing for Case Management and Utilization Review is \$232,416.00 and \$50,916.00 for Medical Bill Review annually.

Contract No. 01T0069-OJ is funded from GL line 516700 and cost center 1110048955.

If you have any questions please call me at X49650.

CC: Leslie Browder, County Executive for Planning & Budget Office

ISSUED BY: PURCHASING OFFICE 700 Lavaca Street 8 th Floor AUSTIN, TX 78701	PURCHASING AGENT ASST: C.W. Bruner TEL. NO: (512) 854-9760 FAX NO: (512) 854-4211	DATE PREPARED: February 8, 2013
ISSUED TO: 1000002659 Forte Managed Care, Inc. Attn: Mr. Mark McCarthy P.O. Box 182364 Columbus, Ohio 43218-2364	MODIFICATION NO.: 13	EXECUTED DATE OF ORIGINAL CONTRACT: February 27, 2001

ORIGINAL CONTRACT TERM DATES: **March 1, 2001 through March 1, 2002** CURRENT CONTRACT TERM DATES: **March 1, 2013 through March 1, 2014**

FOR TRAVIS COUNTY INTERNAL USE ONLY: Original Contract Amount: \$25,000 (NTE) Current Modified Amount: **\$283,332.00 (Estimate)**

DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES: Except as provided herein, all terms, conditions, and provisions of the document referenced above as heretofore modified, remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Recitals

County Commissioners Court has reviewed the medical audit services for workers compensation claims without the claims administration services provided under this contract and found that the services are professional services. On February 8, 2005, Commissioners Court ordered this contract exempt from the County Purchasing Act as professional services.

This contract currently extends to March 1, 2013. Travis County, Texas ("County") wants to extend this contract until the end of the **eighth** option period.

Agreement

- 1.0 By this modification, Travis County exercises its **eighth** annual option under subsection 2.04 to extend the following services for one (1) additional year beginning March 1, 2013 12:00 A.M. Central Time. This contract is for the medical audit services for workers compensation claims without the claims administration services provided.
- 2.0 As consideration for the telephonic case management services to be provided by Medical Auditor under this Contract, County shall pay Medical Auditor the total of **\$232,416** for the first four hundred (400) claims occurring in the **eighth** option period based on date of injury. County shall pay this amount in twelve (12) equal monthly installments of **\$19,368** at the end of each month commencing March 31, **2013**. For each claim after the first four hundred (400) occurring in the **eighth** option period, County shall pay Medical Auditor the fee of **\$564** within thirty (30) days of receipt of an invoice in compliance with 13.0. The services are "life of the contract" and all services will continue as long as there is a contract between Travis County and Forté Managed Care.

Note to Vendor:

- Complete and execute (sign) your portion of the signature block section below for all copies and return all signed copies to Travis County.
- DO NOT execute and return to Travis County. Retain for your records.

LEGAL BUSINESS NAME: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> DBA <input type="checkbox"/> CORPORATION <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER
BY: _____ SIGNATURE	
BY: _____ PRINT NAME	DATE: _____
TITLE: _____ ITS DULY AUTHORIZED AGENT	

TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS	DATE: _____
BY: _____ CYD V. GRIMES, C.P.M., TRAVIS COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT	

TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS	DATE: _____
BY: _____ SAMUEL T. BISCOE, TRAVIS COUNTY JUDGE	

3.0 As consideration for the medical bill review services to be provided by Medical Auditor under this Contract, County shall pay Medical Auditor the monthly fee of \$4,243 during the eighth option period within thirty (30) days of receipt of an invoice in compliance with 13.0. The maximum payable for medical bill review for this option period is \$50,916.

4.0 All terms and conditions related to the services remain unchanged and in full force and effect except for the end of the contract period and those amended in Modifications 4, 8, and 10.

5.0 EFFECTIVE DATE

5.1 The changes in this modification are effective March 1, 2013