

## Questions and Answers Regarding the

### REQUEST FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR THE TASK FORCE ON AFFORDABLE, ACCESSIBLE HEALTH CARE

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Responses to submitted questions

1. *What is the Task Force on Affordable, Accessible Health Care?*  
The Task Force on Affordable, Accessible Health care was created in Sec. E.126b of Act 74. The Task Force, made up of three members of the Vermont House of Representatives and three members of the Vermont Senate, is charged with exploring opportunities to make health care more affordable for Vermont residents and employers, including identifying potential opportunities to leverage federal flexibility and financing and to expand existing public health care programs.
  
2. *Can you provide more information on the structure of the proposal you are looking for? Is there a standard format for the cost proposal or any specific information to include?*  
While this is not a formal RFP, please include qualifications, experience, references, a basic cost proposal, and other anticipated costs. At this time, we are not requiring a specific format, but nonetheless are looking for proposals that provide enough information to determine the best match to meet the needs of the Task Force as laid out in the enabling legislation.
  
3. *If a vendor is working with any another State Agencies or Departments, is that considered a conflict of interest that would make them ineligible for this project?*  
In short, not necessarily. We know Vermont is a small state with a smaller vendor environment. As such, we ask that in addition to disclosing any current or planned contracts or relationships with any Vermont agencies and departments or any other entities that may be directly or indirectly relevant to this work, that interested parties also explain how they will handle any potential conflicts of interest.