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Subject: RE: ICE
Date: Friday, January 7, 2022 2:24:14 PM
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As requested:

Vendor	Costs	Estimated Date of call
Prophase	\$ 250-300	11/3/2021
Genetworx	will charge a minimum of 100 employee at each testing location @ 150/test	12/6/2021
Healthquest	will charge a minimum of 100 employee at each testing location @ 150/test	12/8/2021

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Good afternoon Natalie,

Based on our conversation, the cost information method provided for this new solicitation and the original solicitation is no longer acceptable. So allow us to provide the acceptable documentation you requested rather than provide conversation calculations. I will say the cost information email

Michele sent you today will probably be closer to the actual amount. We are working on the vendor spreadsheet now and you should get a copy by COB today.

Thanks again,

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Korrie,

I just wanted to confirm based on our conversation today regarding the information needed for the Independent Cost Estimate that you said you expect the cost will actually be closer to 1.1M? Thanks in advance for your response.

Warmest regards,
Natalie Ballard
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Good Morning

The links below contain information about COVID-19 Testing Costs:

<https://www.consumerreports.org/covid-19/how-much-should-it-cost-to-get-tested-for-covid-19-a1011758904/>

<https://www.healthsystemtracker.org/brief/covid-19-test-prices-and-payment-policy/>

<https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/patients-families/bill-pay/cost-estimates-and-pricing/covid-19-related-testing-charges.aspx>

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Greetings!

Where did the numbers come from is what we are needing attached to the ICE form. The estimates should come from 2-3 sources in order to indicate the current market value.

Warmest regards,
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Please see the revisions Korrie provided below.

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Here you go:

Michele and I have completed the necessary COVID testing forms to provide the Procurement department. However, Procurement has requested a breakdown of the cost of the new COVID testing solicitation. The original cost for testing was 242k for two months. This new solicitation will be for 6 months:

While the original testing ranged from \$45 – \$150 per test. Some vendors stated the cost to come on-site to conduct testing may increase to roughly \$300 (Plan A). The rationale behind this increase is RTA was not able to provide the minimum number of employees (100) at each COVID testing site location. The other option was the vendors will charge for the minimum

amount of employees regardless of the number tested (Plan B). So here is very rough estimate:

Plan A

Test costs 300.00

Weekly costs (assuming 300 persons @ a test cost of \$300): \$90,000

Testing is scheduled to last for a 6-month period every week. Therefore, this will result in a 6-month cost of \$2,160,000.

Plan B

Test costs 150.00

Weekly costs (assuming 4-sites @ 100 persons/site @ a test cost of \$150): \$60,000

Testing is scheduled to last for a 6-month period every week. Therefore, this will result in a 6-month cost of \$1,440,000.

With the recent issues we have had with the testing vendors, it is highly anticipated that the price of COVID testing will vary significantly.

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Ok, will do. Thanks!

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Michele,

The specific calculations supporting \$500K are needed. Please get with Natalie or Briana regarding

completion of this process.

Thanks,

Ron

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Thanks Mike

The ICE form has to be revised. It must support the revised estimate.

Thanks

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