

Sole Source Notice

The Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USU) is the Nation's federal health sciences university and is committed to excellence in military medicine and public health during peace and war. We provide the Nation with health professionals dedicated to career service in the Department of Defense and the United States Public Health Service and with scientists who serve the common good. We serve the uniformed services and the Nation as an outstanding academic health sciences center with a worldwide perspective for education, research, service, and consultation; we are unique in relating these activities to military medicine, disaster medicine, and military medical readiness. USU is located in Bethesda, MD on the grounds of the Naval Support Activity Bethesda.

The mission of the USU is to provide the highest quality education programs in the health sciences to those selected individuals who demonstrate dedication to a health profession career in the Uniformed Services.

Intent to Sole-Source: USU intends to award a sole-source, firm-fixed-price contract to Aquifer Inc. for one (1) Aquifer Annual Subscription and one (1) WISE Annual Subscription.

Intended Recipient: Aquifer Inc., 33 South Main Street #4, Hanover, New Hampshire 03755

Sole Source Justification: The Aquifer Annual Subscription tool offers the capability to create custom case studies in addition to searching a case study library. The case study tool is essential to the following School of Medicine departments' curricula: Pediatrics, Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Radiology, Neurology and Geriatrics. The MDL has utilized this subscription for the past four years, and maintaining the annual Aquifer subscription will aid in consistency across the University students' education. The Aquifer Annual Subscription and WISE Annual Subscription will be procured in accordance with the procedures of FAR Part 13.106-1(b)(1)(i).

This is NOT a request for Quotes.

In accordance with 5.207(c)(16)(i), all responsible sources may submit a capability statement, proposal, or quotation, which shall be considered by the agency. Responses to this notice must demonstrate clear and convincing evidence that competition would be advantageous to the Government, would not be cost or time prohibitive, and that the interested potential Offeror can supply the aforementioned required Aquifer and WISE subscriptions in one packaged license agreement. Information received will be considered for the purposes of determining whether to conduct a competitive procurement. The Government will not be responsible for any costs incurred by responding to this notice.

Responses must be received via email at ashley.mcrae@usuhs.edu by **2:00 PM EST on Monday, May 8, 2023.**