

University of New Mexico Hospitals

Request for Proposals

Addendum No. 6

**RFP P481-22 Employee Medical and RFP P482-23
Pharmacy Benefit Manager PBM**



Due Date: June 14, 2022, 2:00 p.m. MST The time and date proposals are due shall be strictly observed.

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Q & A

1. Question: Please provide an updated claims file that contains the following data elements:

- NDC
- Fill date
- Drug Name
- Formulary tier
- Quantity
- Days supply
- Pharmacy
- NABP/NPI
- Retail/Mail flag
- Compound flag
- Member ID (can be de-identified)

Answer: This will not be provided.

2. How many in-house pharmacies does UNMH currently have?

Answer: There is 8 in-house pharmacies, but we are not looking for you to provide any 340b pricing. All member claims are run through the BCBSNM health plan whether they are purchased from an in-house pharmacy or Walgreens/CVS/etc.

3. **Can we get a copy of the unredacted existing contract under New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act, Section 14-1-1 et seq., NMSA 1978 as Amended (“IPRA”)?**

Answer: Please see incumbent agreement posted to UNMH RFP Website, Amendment 6A.

4. **Will UNMH score offers that are less than 3 years in initial length with equal weight as those that offer 3-year pricing?**

Answer: Unknown at this time. It will be taken into account, but whether that affects someone score cannot be determined at this time.

5. **In regard to the following instructions located within Attachment M, Minimum Requirements, Question 12:**

Bidder must maintain any required insurance coverage as outlined in Contract Terms And Conditions, RFP Section A. Proof of insurance shall be submitted prior to approval of the contract. Please confirm where we can locate “RFP Section A”

Answer: This should have been Exhibit H – Insurance Requirements.

6. **RFP P482-23 Pharmacy Benefit Manager (PBM) for Employee Benefit Plan; Exhibit C Evaluation Criteria:** Should offeror submit responses on this pdf document (pages 15-18)? If so, should we convert the pdf to a Word document in order to provide our responses? If we are not to use Exhibit C and convert to Word document to respond, is there another document/exhibit we should use to provide our responses? For instance, we did not see a place on another document to provide references (requested in 3.1.9), IT Security Requirements (requested in 3.4), etc.

Answer: Yes, you should answer those questions as well. Converting to Word is fine.

7. **RFP P482-23 SRMC and UNM_BCBSNM HSA SBC documents Pg. 3 under ‘Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information’:** The SBCs state *“Specialty drugs are not available through mail-order”*; and *“Specialty drugs are available through the Specialty Pharmacy Program. Not available through mail-order.”* Can you please confirm that if a PBM has a Specialty Pharmacy, will it be acceptable to fill specialty prescriptions from the PBM’s specialty pharmacy and mail them to members? Note: most specialty medications are not available through retail pharmacies.

Answer: Yes the current PBM has a specialty pharmacy. The note in the SBC is to let a member know they cannot request specialty medications from the regular retail or mail order pharmacies.

8 RFP P482-23 UNM_BCBSNM HMO SBC document Pg. 2 “If you need drugs to treat your illness of condition; More information about prescription drug coverage is available at www.bcbsnm.com: This link leads to bcbsMT plans. Note: this same reference is provided on the other SBC documents for UNM and SRMC.

Also, when we click on the SBC link to access the formulary, below is a screenshot of where that link takes you. Can you please advise which of these formularies the Group is currently on today so that we can provide to you the requested formulary disruption analysis? Or is there a BCBS of NM formulary link that we need to be referencing? Can you please provide the specific drug coverage that UNMH has and what drugs are *not* covered, so we can best match our offer to the type of formulary and coverage/utilization management edits you have in place.

Answer: This is the correct link - [Prescription Drug Lists | Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Mexico \(bcbsnm.com\)](https://www.bcbsnm.com/Prescription-Drug-Lists) The formulary is the 2023 Basic Drug List. No additional information will be provided. We understand you will not be able to determine whether a drug has changed tier as we failed to provide that information. Please place your tier indication in column H of the repricing file, Exhibit T.

9. Please confirm you are requesting a passthrough or traditional proposal. Thank you.

Answer: All rebates need to be disclosed and returned to the client. How you do that is up to you.

10. We have been reviewing the data set for University of New Mexico Hospital, and we realized we have the group number but not the plan type delineation of HMO v. HSA for the data provided. Due to this gap, we are moving forward using the HMO plan design for all groups, for the purpose of filling in the member share amounts in the reprice file (Exhibit T) and for the purposes of managed copay program (MCP) savings analysis. If there has been a crosswalk provided, but we simply couldn't find it, please let me know.

Answer: Please complete the data set with total allowable cost. We do not want you taking any member responsibility into account.

11. In reviewing the RFP outline and the plan design documents, it is unclear how much the in house pharmacies are being used to dispense prescriptions for the employees. If it's not too much trouble, please provide the inhouse pharmacy NABPs.

Answer: These will not be provided. We are not evaluating at the individual provider level. Responses should be provided as if all prescriptions are run through your in-network pharmacies. This will allow us to compare vendors equally.