

1. Can the State provide numbers as to how many vaccinations were administered in 2010 and 2011?

There were approximately 12,000 flu shots administered during the 2011-2012 flu season.

2. Does the State have a timeframe in mind for when the clinics start?

The flu clinics will begin on or about September 1, 2012...

3. Do the clinics run the entire length of flu shot season – September 1 through November 30th?

The contract runs through September 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013, however we anticipate the majority of the clinics will be through December 2012.

4. If the State prefers all clinics to be conducted within a timeframe, can you provide that timeframe to the bidders?

See above.

5. How many employees and retirees are enrolled in the Anthem BCBS benefit plan?

The information is irrelevant to the RFP. There are 200,000 employees and their Dependents enrolled in our health plan.

6. How many employees and retirees are enrolled in the Oxford United Healthcare plan?

See above response.

7. Is CVS/Caremark the sole PBM for the health benefit plans?

Yes.

8. Can you confirm that adjudication of claims would be through billing the medical plan or the pharmacy plan as opposed to direct billing to the State? Is there a 2nd or 3rd tier billing?

Claims will be roster billed directly to the State, not through the carriers or pharmacies benefit manager unless the flu vaccine is administered at a retail pharmacy through the CVS Pharmacy Vaccine Network.

9 What is the estimate of the number of on- site employee vaccination even sites?

There were approximately 100-120 flu clinics throughout the state during the 2010-2011 flu season.

10. Can an on line scheduler be allowed for the on -site /worksites vaccination Program. Employees would be able to schedule a time on the dates of the on-site visits.

Yes.

11. Can the pharmacy benefit be used for on -site vaccination programs?

The on-site clinics will be roster directly billed to the state.

12. We are contracted with Caremark. However the employer must direct Caremark to accept the vaccination adjudication. Is that your understanding?

Yes, vaccinations performed at a retail pharmacy may be adjudicated through the CVS Pharmacy Vaccine Network.

13. Are enrolled family/dependent members at or over age 18 included in the vaccination program?

Yes.

14. Is there a word document version of the RFP? This would help in our response.

Yes.

15. Can we know what the 2012 pricing for on-site programs was?

The contract pricing is proprietary.

16. Should we choose to respond to the RFP, we are able to apply to various insurance carriers to be an approved wellness vendor? Would we need to be an approved vendor for all insurance specific carriers at the time of our response? Or would it be possible to responds to the RFP with that approval pending?

Not applicable to this RFP.

17. Would it be possible to bill participants at the time of the event and then they would be able to then go on to submit that to their carrier through a paper claim?

No.

18. Out of the 55,000 State of Connecticut employees, and the 42,000 retirees enrolled in coverage, what has the participation rate been in the past, and what do you anticipate it being this year?

There were approximately 12,000 flu shots administered in the 2011-2012 season.

19. Does the State of Connecticut have predetermined number of events, or an expected eligible population?

Generally, there are 100-120 on site flu clinics throughout the state during the season.

20. How many event locations would the State of Connecticut request, and approximate number of eligible participants per event?

The number of clinics would depend on the agencies that are willing to host the clinic. The number of employees would depend on agency size and location.