

- 1.Q. In general, the federal government prohibits contractors that develop contract specifications, requirements, statements of work, and the like, from competing for the procurement of such items because its knowledge of the design requirements would give it a competitive advantage. The Request for Proposal for Providing Executive Management Innovation and Training includes consultation in policy issues; Federal funding strategies; budget planning; financial management, analyses and forecasting; and legislative matters, among others.

Will the contractor, in fulfilling these responsibilities, and in complying with state and federal guidelines be precluded from bidding on any future systems integration work, such as a SACWIS, integrated eligibility or integrated case management technology solution, which involves federal financial participation?

- 1.A. To the extent that the Contractor's activities under the contract would provide contractor with an unfair competitive advantage, the Contractor would be precluded from competing for the procurement of future systems integrations work.**

- 2.Q. If the answer is yes, will the state consider carving those preclusion related areas out of the final contract so that we are not precluded from any follow on work as described above?

- 2.A. No.**