

NATIONAL CENTER AND STATE COLLABORATIVE

Amendment No. 2 to RFP #2013-03-01 Dated June 28, 2013

A. Purpose

This document amends RFP #2013-03-01 released by the National Center and State Collaborative (NCSC) project. This amendment reduces the scope of the project by removing some requirements that are not essential to the project. NCSC anticipates that the removal of the requirements will reduce and/or eliminate the price of some deliverables and reduce the price of the overall project.

B. Requirements Reduced or Eliminated

NCSC seeks revised price proposals from vendors for a comprehensive technology system (“System”) to support the summative assessment for students with significant cognitive disabilities as described in RFP #2013-03-01. With this amendment, NCSC is reducing the scope of the project by eliminating or reducing specific requirements as detailed below.

NCSC reserves the right to revisit the decision to reduce the scope and to retain some or all of the elements addressed below in the solution.

1. Section 3.2.1.1, Item Banking and Management

- a.** Remove the requirement to accommodate technology enabled and/or enhanced items. The item banking and management system and delivery and scoring system will not be required to accommodate technology enabled and/or enhanced items.

2. Section 3.2.3, Evidence Capture and Scoring

- a.** Remove the requirement to capture video. Evidence will be captured using text or images.
- b.** Remove the requirement for distributed scoring. Items will be human scored at one or few designated central locations.

3. Section 3.2.3, User Interface

- a.** Remove the requirement for presentation on tablets or other devices apart from desktop computers.
- b.** Provide a price option for solutions that provide flexibility to present on tablets.

4. Section 3.2.4, Technology Survey

- a.** Remove the requirement to conduct a technology survey.

5. Section 3.2.5, Reporting

- a.** Remove the requirement for the system to include capacity dynamic display of student data and performance outcomes.

- b. The system should provide access to data files and static reports.
- c. Elements of the reporting system should be priced separately.

6. Section 3.2.7, Training and Support Plan

- a. Remove the requirement for a training plan. The provider should assume that training resources will be provided to state and consortium level project leaders who will redeliver training to districts and schools.
- b. Provision of a ‘help desk’ remains and should be priced separately.
- c. Help desk support outside of testing windows is not required. The project will entertain proposals that include this feature as a separately priced option.

7. Section 3.2.14, Reporting User’s Guide

- a. Remove the requirement to produce a reporting user’s guide.

8. Sections 3.3.1 and 3.3.2, Project Scope, Resource Plan, and Work Plan

- a. Produce one document that includes project scope, resources and work document instead of three separate documents. This document will serve to document the project plan and timeline and should largely reflect the information and commitments made in the response to the RFP. Separate, additional aspects outside the course of typical, quality, project management are not required in this document.

9. Section 3.0

- a. Vendors should detail the price revised as appropriate, associated with each component of the comprehensive software system to include:
 - i. Assessment creation and management;
 - ii. Administration and registration;
 - iii. Delivery system;
 - iv. Scoring system;
 - v. Reporting system; and
 - vi. Ancillary content.

C. Additional Information

Vendors are also encouraged to explore other areas to increase efficiency and cost effectiveness throughout the proposed solution. For example, offerors should consider where cost savings can be realized by streamlining documentation associated with successful test execution and test certification.

