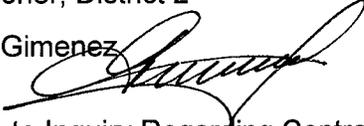


Memorandum



Date: November 28, 2011

To: Honorable Jean Monestime
Commissioner, District 2

From: Carlos A. Gimenez
Mayor 

Subject: Response to Inquiry Regarding Contracting Opportunities for Jackson Health System

At the June 7, 2011 meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, you requested a report regarding any upcoming procurements which may provide bidding opportunities for the Jackson Health System (JHS). The Internal Services Department (ISD) advised JHS staff on July 25, 2011 of the potential bidding opportunity noted below. JHS did not submit a proposal to this solicitation.

RFQ No. 782: Head Start Program Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services Pool (Speech, Physical and Occupational Therapy)

ISD and JHS staff are engaged in ongoing discussions, and meet bi-weekly to assess collaborative contracting opportunities. There has been successful collaboration and mutual assistance on procurement projects such as landscaping, reverse auctions, generators, elevators, gasoline and diesel fuel, office furniture, banking services, debt collection services, natural gas, and several other commodities.

Should you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Lester Sola, Internal Services Director, at 305-375-2363, or me directly.

c: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners
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