LOW COUNTRY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, INC.
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Turnkey Mobile Digital Mammography Unit with 3D Tomosynthesis

RFP No.: WWR074
Original Issue Date: 10/16/2026
Updated RFP Issued Date: 10/22/2026

Proposals Due/EXTENDED DEADLINE: 11/17/2026 by 2:00 pm Eastern Time sent electronically to procurement@lchcs.com.

Issuing Organization: Low Country Health Care System (LCHCS), 333 Revolutionary Trail, Fairfax, SC 29827

Procurement Contact for Questions: Denise Cone, Quality Improvement/Risk Management Director, dcone@lchcs.com. All questions regarding this RFP must be submitted in writing to the Procurement Contact by the deadline established in Section 2. Final proposals must not be submitted to the Procurement Contact and must instead be submitted according to Section 5.

1. Invitation and purpose
LCHCS invites competitive proposals from qualified firms to furnish, deliver, install, commission, and support one turnkey mobile digital mammography unit suitable for rural community screening. Proposals shall include the mobile vehicle/platform, a full-field digital mammography system capable of breast tomosynthesis (3D), required accessories and integrated systems, initial training, warranty, and ongoing service options. LCHCS intends to make an award to the responsible offeror whose conforming proposal is most advantageous to LCHCS considering price and the published evaluation criteria. Award is contingent upon funding availability, required approvals, and satisfactory contract terms.

This is a competitive proposal procurement. The preliminary market-research quotations previously obtained by LCHCS do not constitute an award or preference.

2. Procurement schedule and communications

Event	Date / information
Original RFP issued	10/16/2026
Updated RFP issued	10/22/2026
Deadline for written questions/UPDATED	11/12/2026
Responses for written questions will be sent /addenda posted or distributed/UPDATED	11/13/2026 by 2:00 pm Eastern Time
Proposal submission deadline/UPDATED	11/17/2026 by 2:00 pm Eastern Time
Anticipated evaluation / award	Proposals will be received until the submission deadline established above. Following the deadline, LCHCS will document all timely proposals received and begin the evaluation process. Proposals will be evaluated by a designated committee consisting of the LCHCS CEO, CFO, and appropriate project personnel. The committee will evaluate proposals using the criteria established in Section 7 and make a recommendation for consideration and approval by the LCHCS Board of Directors. Notice of award will be issued following completion of the evaluation process and required approvals.

All questions must be sent in writing to the Procurement Contact. Only written addenda issued by LCHCS modify this RFP. Answers of general applicability will be shared with all known interested vendors and made available through the same public posting channel. Vendors shall not contact evaluators or Board members about this procurement.

3. Project background and funding

LCHCS seeks to expand access to mammography services in underserved and rural communities. This procurement is associated with South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) Rural Health Transformation Program funding under Subrecipient Agreement A2027000869A, for the agreement period July 31, 2026–September 30, 2027. The proposed unit is expected to support mobile screening operations at community care sites.

Federal funding disclosure: Total project/program cost: $823,521.93. Federal funds: 100%. This disclosure is included to satisfy the award's Stevens Amendment requirement.

4. Scope of work and minimum requirements

4.1 Turnkey mobile platform

- Provide a new or clearly identified pre-owned/refurbished self-propelled mobile mammography vehicle or equivalent mobile platform; disclose model year, mileage/hours, prior use, and condition. LCHCS prefers a self-propelled unit; clearly identify any proposed alternative.
- Provide a climate-controlled clinical environment, patient changing/privacy space, accessible entry and patient flow, suitable lighting, handwashing/sanitation arrangements, and secure storage. Describe accessibility accommodations and any limitations.
- Space should include room to accommodate an exam table in addition to the mammography equipment. This can be as a separate exam room or within one room.
- ADA compliant wheelchair lift is optional, can provide a proposal with and/or without.
- Sink is required. Restroom is not required.
- Include vehicle power, generator/shore-power interfaces, electrical distribution, HVAC, stabilizing/leveling systems where needed, fire/life-safety equipment, and equipment protection during transit.
- Identify dimensions, weight, parking/clearance needs, electrical demands, fuel needs, operating conditions, maintenance requirements, and required driver licensing.
- Non-CDL unit required.
- Vehicle graphics required.
- Deliver a roadworthy unit with required title, registration documentation, manuals, inspections, and manufacturer certifications as applicable.

4.2 Mammography imaging system

- Provide a full-field digital mammography system with digital breast tomosynthesis (3D) capability suitable for clinical screening. Identify manufacturer, model, model year, and new/refurbished status.
- Preference is Hologic and can be refurbished, but within 5 years old.
- Describe image quality, detector specifications, acquisition modes, compression/positioning features, dose management, workstation, image review capabilities, and patient throughput.
- Identify FDA mammography-related regulatory status, MQSA certification/accreditation support, physicist testing, and any state radiation equipment registration or inspection steps; distinguish vendor-provided services from LCHCS responsibilities.
- Provide DICOM connectivity, PACS/RIS/EHR interoperability specifications, secure transmission options, cybersecurity safeguards, software licenses, and recurring fees.

- Include all required accessories, phantoms, quality-control tools, supplies, and software needed for operational acceptance; identify exclusions explicitly.

4.3 Delivery, installation, and acceptance

- Provide a realistic manufacturing/refurbishment, delivery, installation, testing, and training schedule. State earliest guaranteed or estimated delivery date and assumptions.
- Provide onsite commissioning, system calibration, radiation safety/physics testing coordination, documented operational checks, and support for regulatory readiness.
- Acceptance will occur only after LCHCS confirms delivery, complete installation, successful functional and image-quality testing, training, and receipt of documentation. Define any proposed objective acceptance tests and remedies for deficiencies.
- Identify warranty commencement, risk of loss, shipping responsibilities, and any temporary storage or delivery constraints.
- Registration and any applicable state taxes can be handled by LCHCS if needed due to location of vendor.

4.4 Training, warranty, and service

- Include initial applications and operator training for designated clinical staff, plus vehicle/generator operations training; specify number of days, participants, location, and follow-up support.
- Describe manufacturer and dealer warranties separately for imaging equipment, vehicle, generator, HVAC, and installed components.
- Provide preventive maintenance schedule, local/regional service coverage, response and repair times, uptime commitments (if offered), parts availability, remote support, and escalation procedures.
- Quote optional annual service agreements and extended warranties for at least three years beyond the initial warranty period. These service agreement options should apply to the mammography equipment and the vehicle.
- Identify any third-party subcontractors and which party is contractually responsible for their performance.

5. Proposal submission requirements

Submit one electronic PDF proposal to procurement@lchcs.com with subject "RFP WWR074 – Mobile Mammography." Proposals must be received by the deadline; late submissions may be rejected. Keep price information clearly identified in a separate section. Proposal validity: at least 90 days.

- Signed cover letter identifying legal business name, address, primary contact, authorized signer, and acceptance of RFP terms or requested exceptions.
- Executive summary and detailed technical response addressing each requirement in Section 4; provide a compliance matrix marked Comply / Partial / Exception with explanatory notes.
- Vehicle and mammography system specifications, brochures, configuration drawings, photographs (if available), and list of included equipment and software.
- Detailed project schedule and delivery commitments.
- Vendor qualifications, years of relevant experience, service locations, and at least three comparable customer references, preferably mobile mammography installations.
- Warranty and service plan, training plan, licensing/inspection assistance, and regulatory compliance responsibilities.
- Itemized fixed-price proposal and optional pricing in the format in Section 6; state assumptions, exclusions, payment milestones, and quote validity.
- Tax should be included in proposal. LCHCS is not sales tax exempt.
- Both Attachment A and Attachment B must be completed and submitted with the vendor's proposal.

- Attachment A – Vendor Certifications and Disclosures: Completed and signed by an authorized representative of the vendor.
- Attachment B – Technical Compliance Matrix: Completed by the vendor, identifying compliance with each requirement and providing explanations or supporting documentation references where applicable.

- Description of any small, minority-owned, women-owned, veteran-owned, or local business participation, if applicable; classification is not a substitute for the published evaluation criteria.

6. Required price schedule

Price component	Proposed amount
Mobile vehicle/platform (including modifications)	$
3D mammography equipment, workstation and accessories	$
IT/connectivity/software (one-time)	$
Delivery, freight, installation and commissioning	$
Training and initial support	$
Taxes, registration and other mandatory fees	$
TOTAL TURNKEY ACQUISITION PRICE	$
Optional annual maintenance after initial warranty (Years 1–3)	$ / year
Other recurring licenses, connectivity or support	$ / year
Optional upgrades or alternate configurations	Separately itemize

Provide a full five-year estimated cost of ownership, including mandatory recurring costs. Identify payment milestones, deposits, financing arrangements (if any), and whether payment is contingent on acceptance. LCHCS may request clarification and supporting price information for cost/price analysis.

7. Evaluation and award

LCHCS will first review timely proposals for responsiveness to mandatory requirements and vendor responsibility. A committee will evaluate responsive proposals using the criteria below. LCHCS may seek clarifications, conduct demonstrations or reference checks, and negotiate with offerors consistent with fair and equitable treatment. LCHCS reserves the right to reject proposals, cancel or reissue the RFP, or make no award when in its best interest, subject to applicable law and grant requirements.

Criterion	Maximum points
Total acquisition price and five-year cost of ownership	30
Technical compliance, imaging capabilities and unit suitability	30
Warranty, maintenance, service support and uptime	20
Delivery, commissioning and training plan	10
Relevant vendor experience and references	10
TOTAL	100

Evaluators will record individual scores and written rationale. The selection record will document the relative advantages of the recommended proposal, price reasonableness, conflicts screening, responsibility determination, and required approvals. Lowest price alone will not necessarily determine award.

8. Procurement integrity and federal terms

- LCHCS will conduct this procurement with full and open competition under its procurement policies and applicable 2 CFR Part 200 requirements. Specifications are intended to be performance-based and do not restrict competition to a single manufacturer. Proposed equivalents are welcome if clearly documented.
- Offerors must disclose actual or potential conflicts of interest, organizational conflicts, and any involvement in preparing this solicitation. LCHCS may disqualify vendors whose participation creates an unfair competitive advantage that cannot be mitigated.
- LCHCS will verify suspension/debarment status and other vendor responsibility factors before award, including SAM.gov as applicable.
- The selected vendor must agree to applicable federal contract provisions under 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II, and the RHT subrecipient agreement, including lobbying certification for covered awards over $100,000 and applicable environmental provisions. LCHCS will provide its vendor federal provisions agreement for execution as part of contracting. ***(See Appendix A)***
- Any agreement is subject to LCHCS Board approval and authorized CEO/CFO procurement approvals as applicable. The award will not bind LCHCS until a written contract is executed by authorized representatives.
- The vendor shall comply with applicable privacy, information-security, safety, accessibility, licensing, and regulatory requirements and cooperate with reasonable grant monitoring and documentation requests.
- Contract documents will establish deliverables, acceptance, warranties, insurance, indemnity, payment, termination, and dispute-resolution terms.

9. Public notice and solicitation availability

LCHCS will publicly advertise this RFP at https://www.lowcountryhealthcaresystem.com/public-notices.html

A summary of this RFP will be published through regional newspaper publications; however, modifications and addenda will be made available only at https://www.lowcountryhealthcaresystem.com/public-notices.html and through the below email outreach methods.

To encourage full and open competition, LCHCS will also conduct email outreach using contact information obtained through the South Carolina Minority Business Contracting Council (SMBCC), local Chambers of Commerce, and other available business directories. These outreach efforts are intended to encourage participation by qualified small, minority-owned, women-owned, veteran-owned, and local businesses. LCHCS may also distribute the solicitation directly to known qualified suppliers. All interested vendors will be provided equal access to the RFP, written clarifications, addenda, and any changes to submission deadlines.

Any modifications to the solicitation will be issued through written addenda and made available through the same public posting channels.

A pre-proposal meeting is not currently scheduled. Should LCHCS determine that such a meeting is necessary, the date, time, and participation instructions will be announced through a written addendum.

Attachment A – Vendor certifications and disclosures

Legal vendor name / DBA: _____

Address: _____

Authorized representative / title: _____

Email / telephone: _____

UEI (if applicable): _____ SAM status: _____

Conflict of interest or solicitation-preparation involvement: [ ] None [ ] Disclosed on attached sheet

Debarment/suspension: Vendor certifies it is not excluded from applicable federal transactions, subject to LCHCS verification.

Lobbying certification (for covered bids exceeding $100,000): Vendor certifies that no federal appropriated funds have been or will be used for prohibited lobbying, and will disclose covered non-federal lobbying using the applicable form.

Subcontractors and material exceptions to RFP: [ ] None [ ] Attached

Vendor certifies that all proposal information is accurate and agrees to applicable federal contract provisions upon award.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Attachment B – Technical compliance matrix (vendor to complete)

Requirement	Comply / Partial / Exception	Explanation / document page
Mobile platform and clinical layout		
3D mammography system and workstation		
DICOM / interoperability and cybersecurity		
Regulatory readiness / physicist testing support		
Delivery and commissioning		
Training and documentation		
Warranty, maintenance and local service		
Five-year total cost disclosure		

APPENDIX A

LOW COUNTRY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, INC. FEDERAL AWARD VENDOR CONTRACT PROVISIONS & CERTIFICATION

Vendor legal name: _____

Contract / purchase order reference (if applicable): _____

This Addendum is entered into between Low Country Health Care System, Inc. (LCHCS) and the undersigned Vendor. It supplements any applicable purchase order, service agreement, or other contract (the "Contract") to the extent the Contract is funded in whole or in part under a Federal award. If a provision conflicts with the Contract, the provision required by applicable Federal law controls to the extent of the conflict.

1. Applicability

The provisions below apply only when required by the nature, value, funding, and circumstances of the Contract, applicable Federal statutes and regulations, and award-specific terms. "As applicable" does not waive a requirement that is legally mandatory. LCHCS will identify and attach any required wage determinations, agency-specific clauses, or other mandatory terms that cannot be satisfied by general reference alone.

2. Federal contract provisions (as applicable)

A. Remedies for breach. For contracts exceeding the applicable simplified acquisition threshold, LCHCS may pursue available administrative, contractual, or legal remedies for Vendor breach, including withholding payment for deficient performance, requiring correction, recovering damages, or terminating the Contract, subject to applicable law and Contract terms.

B. Termination. For contracts exceeding $10,000, LCHCS may terminate for cause upon material breach not cured within ten (10) calendar days after written notice (or immediately when cure is not feasible or law requires). LCHCS may terminate for convenience upon thirty (30) days' written notice. Vendor will be paid for conforming goods delivered and accepted and services satisfactorily performed through the effective termination date, less lawful offsets; no anticipated profits on unperformed work are payable.

C. Equal employment opportunity. For federally assisted construction contracts covered by 41 CFR Part 60, the mandatory equal opportunity clause under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), and any other currently applicable requirements, must be included in the Contract.

D. Davis-Bacon and Copeland Acts. When required by Federal program legislation for prime construction contracts exceeding $2,000, Vendor shall comply with applicable Davis-Bacon prevailing wage, weekly payment, certified payroll, and Copeland Anti-Kickback requirements, including required clauses under 29 CFR Parts 3 and 5 and the applicable wage determination attached to the Contract.

E. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act. For covered contracts exceeding $100,000 involving mechanics or laborers, Vendor shall comply with applicable overtime and construction safety requirements under 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704 and 29 CFR Part 5, including mandatory contract clauses.

F. Rights to inventions. For covered experimental, developmental, or research work under a qualifying funding agreement with a small business or nonprofit, applicable rights-to-inventions requirements under 37 CFR Part 401 shall govern.

G. Clean Air and Water. For covered contracts exceeding $150,000, Vendor shall comply with applicable Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act standards, orders, and regulations and report violations to LCHCS for required agency and EPA reporting.

H. Debarment and suspension. For covered transactions, Vendor certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from participation in Federal covered transactions; Vendor shall promptly notify LCHCS of any change. LCHCS may independently verify eligibility through SAM.gov.

I. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment. For applicable bids or awards exceeding $100,000, Vendor shall execute the required lobbying certification and provide any required disclosures of lobbying with non-Federal funds; Federal appropriated funds may not be used for prohibited lobbying.

J. Recovered materials. Where 2 CFR 200.323 and 40 CFR Part 247 apply, Vendor shall comply with applicable procurement requirements for EPA-designated recovered-material products.

K. Prohibited telecommunications. Vendor shall comply with applicable restrictions in 2 CFR 200.216 concerning covered telecommunications and video surveillance equipment or services.

L. Domestic preferences. To the extent applicable under 2 CFR 200.322, Vendor shall support the required preference for goods, products, and materials produced in the United States.

APPENDIX A CONT.

3. Additional terms and certification

Vendor shall comply with other Federal award conditions expressly incorporated into the Contract or provided in writing by LCHCS, including applicable flow-down requirements for subcontractors. Vendor shall maintain records and provide documentation reasonably necessary to demonstrate compliance with provisions applicable to its Contract. This Addendum does not replace any required standalone certification or full-text clause.
By signing, the undersigned certifies that they are authorized to bind Vendor, have reviewed this Addendum, and agree to comply with its provisions to the extent applicable to the Contract.

Vendor acknowledgment

Vendor / Company: _____

Authorized representative (print): _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Reference: 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix II (current eCFR); applicable Federal award terms.