



# Emergence Health Network

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## ADDENDUM

To: All Interested Proposers

From: Diana Billingsley

Date: May 17, 2017

Subject: **Qualified Clinical Data Registry and Data Submission Vendor RFP #17-013**  
**Addendum I**

**This addendum includes responses to all questions submitted as of Wednesday, May 17, 2017.**

**Any questions or additional information required by interested vendors must be emailed to [bidquestions@ehnel Paso.org](mailto:bidquestions@ehnel Paso.org) . RFP number and title must be on the “Subject Line” of the email. Attempts to circumvent this requirement may result in rejection of the proposal.**

**RFP No. 17-013**  
**Qualified Clinical Data Registry and Data Submission Vendor**  
**Q&A**

The queries raised by the bidders via subsequent emails up till May 17, 2017 and clarifications with regard to bid documents for the procurement of a qualified clinical data registry and data submission vendor are given as under:

<b>Question Raised</b>	<b>Reply/Clarification</b>
<i>What is the difference between the RFP #17-007 and RFP #17-013? The Scope of Work and the Proposal Requirements seem identical.</i>	The scope of work and proposal requirements are very similar; there were minor changes such as preferred qualifications but not required and cost was added to the evaluation criteria. The title of the RFP was changed to better reflect our needs.
<i>The classification of a "Data Submission Vendor" (DSV) no longer exists as of January 1, 2017. The new classification by CMS is a "Certified EHR Technology" (CEHRT), so it is not clear what type of entity is eligible to be awarded the contract.</i>	The vendor must have an ONC Certified EHR Application. We would prefer a vendor that is also a 2017 CMS-Approved Qualified Registry.
<i>A QCDR and a CEHRT are two very separate and distinct types of reporting mechanisms and therefore completely different types of organizations. The title of the RFP using the word "and" (i.e. QCDR "and" DSV) doesn't make any sense. Candidly we see this confusion all the time and its very common for consultants and or registries to use terminology incorrectly in an effort to mask the shortcomings of their services relative to other reporting options such as a CEHRT. Our concern is another participant in the process may not be providing accurate information. Please clarify what Emergence is seeking relative to an ONC certified technology partner.</i>	Under MIPS, there are several data submission methods, one of which is Qualified Registries. A qualified registry is a CMS-approved entity that collects clinical data from MIPS eligible clinicians (both individual and groups) and submits it to CMS on their behalf for purposes of MIPS.

In case of any further information/clarification, they may send email and ask through [bidquestions@ehnel Paso.org](mailto:bidquestions@ehnel Paso.org), individual visits are not entertained before May 26, 2017.