

State of Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health Office of the Secretary

Request For Information SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FOR QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

RFI #: LDH-RFI-CONTRACT MEDICAL STAFF FOR LA HOSPITALS

Date: December 29, 2020

Your reference is directed to Request for Information, RFI#: LDH-RFI-CONTRACT MEDICAL STAFF FOR LA HOSPITALS, originally posted December 22, 2020 and clarified December 23, 2020.

Responses are due to this RFI by 4:30 p.m. (CST) on Thursday, December 31, 2020. RFI Responses must be received by electronic copy only to the RFI Coordinator's email address provided in Section 2.1 of the RFI: <u>Jimmie.Sanders3@la.gov</u>

The following supplement to the Questions and Answers is being issued by the Department.

Supplement regarding RFI Section 1.3, "Contract Staff Payment and Assignments":

The Department hereby reiterates that if LDH were to determine to provide medical or support staffing directly to any hospital via a medical staffing agency as described in the RFI, the hospital would then be required to enter into an emergency Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) with the Department. The CEA would contain provisions wherein the hospital would agree not to bill the patient, patient's responsible party, third party payors, insurance companies, Medicaid or Medicaid Managed Care Companies, or Medicare for the medical staffing and support staffing in connection with the patient's inpatient stay at the hospital. The CEA with the hospital would detail specific processes to ensure that the hospital did not receive a "double payment" related to the staffing costs, while allowing the hospital the opportunity to bill/submit claims to such persons/entities/insurers for non-staffing costs associated with the patient's inpatient's non-staffing costs associated with the patient's inpatient's inpatient's inpatient's inpatient's inpatient's inpatient's non-staffing costs associated with the patient's inpatient's inp