PART 304 - ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

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Subpart 304.6 - Contract Reporting

304.602 General.

Follow internal department procedures for reporting information to the Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS) and for resolving technical or policy issues relating to FPDS contract reporting.

304.604 Responsibilities.

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) acquisition officials and staff shall report their contract information in FPDS accurately and timely.

Subpart 304.13 - Personal Identity Verification

304.1300 Policy.

To ensure compliance with Homeland Security Presidential Directive-12: Policy for a Common Identification Standard for Federal Employees and Contractors (HSPD-12) and the Presidential Cross Agency Priority for strong authentication, contracting officers shall provide in each acquisition those HSPD-12 requirements necessary for contract performance.

Subpart 304.16 - Unique Procurement Instrument Identifiers

304.1600 Scope of subpart.

This subpart provides guidance for assigning identification numbers to solicitation or contract actions. The Senior Procurement Executive shall be responsible for establishing a numbering system within the department that conforms to Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) subpart 4.16.

Subpart 304.70 [Reserved]

Subpart 304.71 - Review and Approval of Proposed Contract Actions

304.7100 Policy.

In accordance with HHS delegated acquisition authority, the FAR, this regulation, internal policies and guidance, the head of the contracting activity (non-delegable) shall establish review and approval procedures for proposed contract actions to ensure that -

(a) Contractual documents are in conformance with law, established policies and procedures, and sound business practices;

(b) Contract actions properly reflect the mutual understanding of the parties; and

(c) The contracting officer is informed of deficiencies and items of questionable acceptability, and takes corrective action.

Subpart 304.72 - Affordable Care Act Prevention and Public

Health Fund - Reporting Requirements

304.7200 Scope of subpart.

This subpart implements Section 220 of Public Law 112-74, FY 2012 Labor, HHS and Education Appropriations Act, which requires, semi-annual reporting on the use of funds from the Prevention and Public Health Fund (PPHF), Public Law 111-148, sec. 4002. Contractors that receive awards (or modifications to existing awards) with a value of \$25,000 or more funded, in whole or in part, from the PPHF, shall report information specified in the clause at 352.204-70, Prevention and Public Health Fund - Reporting Requirements, including, but not limited to -

- (a) The dollar amount of contractor invoices;
- (b) The supplies delivered and services performed; and
- (c) Specific information on subcontracts with a value of \$25,000 or more.

304.7201 Procedures.

(a) In any contract action funded in whole or in part by the PPHF, the contracting officer shall indicate that the contract action is being made under the PPHF, and indicate which products or services are funded under the PPHF. This requirement applies whenever PPHF funds are used, regardless of the contract instrument.

(b) To maximize transparency of PPHF funds that shall be reported by the contractor, the contracting officer shall structure contract awards to allow for separately tracking PPHF funds. For example, the contracting officer may consider awarding dedicated separate contracts when using PPHF funds or establishing contract line item number structures to prevent commingling of PPHF funds with other funds.

(c) Contracting officers shall ensure that the contractor complies with the reporting requirements of 352.204-70. Upon receipt of each report, the contracting officer shall review it for completeness, address any clarity or completeness issues with the contractor, and submit the final approved report in Section 508 compliant format to an Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs point-of-contact for posting on HHS' PPHF Web site at <u>http://www.hhs.gov/open/prevention/index.html</u> no later than 30 days after the end of the reporting period. If the contractor fails to comply with the reporting requirements, the contracting officer shall exercise appropriate contractual remedies.

(d) The contracting officer shall make the contractor's failure to comply with the reporting requirements a part of the contractor's performance information under FAR subpart 42.15.

304.7202 Contract clause.

Insert the clause at 352.204-70, Prevention and Public Health Fund - Reporting Requirements, in all solicitations and contract actions funded in whole or in part with PPHF funds, except classified solicitations and contracts. This includes, but is not limited to, awarding or modifying orders against existing or new contracts issued under FAR subparts 8.4 and 16.5 that will be funded with PPHF

funds. Contracting officers shall include this clause in any existing contract or order that will be funded with PPHF funds. This clause is not required for any contract or order which contains a prior version of the clause at 352.204-70.