

1. What is the budget amount of the proposal? Is there a minimum and/or maximum amount? I'm reading Attachment B and it states the blank\_\_\_\_amount. Is it based on our own budget?

The GMCB does not have a specific budget allocated for this project. Please provide us with an estimate.

2. What is the allowable indirect cost rate?

Information about the allowable indirect cost rate is available on the State of Vermont's BGS Contract page: <http://bgs.vermont.gov/purchasing>.

3. Were we envisioning structured interviews, focus groups and or surveys?

Open to any of these or all of these.

4. In terms of the geo-mapping, what is the favorable approach?

Put in as an option, where we can add it to the contract or not.

5. Will there be a charge for data or data analysis?

Rely on the GMCB's ability to leverage data and get the data needed for the project.

6. Is there a more current oral health plan available?

There will be a new one approved by the state in June.

7. Would we like bidders to include all anticipated travel expenses in the bid?

Please include all anticipated travel expenses, including in-state mileage. Or indicate that it is included in the hourly rate charged.

8. Is the per diem rate that as of 2000 or 2012?

The GMCB recommends referring to the BGS website for the most current per diem and travel reimbursement schedules: <http://bgs.vermont.gov/purchasing>.

9. How does the Vermont Dental Landscape Study relate to the updated Oral Health Plan mentioned during the bidder's call (to be released soon)?

The Landscape Study should include any information from the current Oral Health Plan (2005) as deemed pertinent by the contractor. The GMCB will be working with other state agencies regarding the results of this Study and how they may or may not relate to the state's Oral Health Plan.

10. In Phase I, does the GMCB have a clearly defined set costs that they would like to identify by care model as cost per patient is very broad? For example, procedures such as tooth whitening or using porcelain fillings can greatly impact cost per patient, but have little impact on population-level oral health.

The GMCB does not have a clearly defined set of costs.