



**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, June 22, 2022**

**Location:** E.T. Woolfolk State Office Building  
501 North West Street, Room 145  
Jackson, Mississippi

**Board Members Present:** Norman McLeod, Chair  
Rita Wray, Vice Chair  
David Russell  
Norman Katool  
Billy Morehead

**Board Member Absent:** Liz Welch

**Staff:** Aubrey Leigh Goodwin  
Ross Campbell  
Brittney Thompson  
Liz DeRouen  
Clay Chastain  
Suzanne Hudson  
Angela Cooper  
Kimberly Burse  
Jonathan Dillard  
Sharee Deason  
Alec Chism

**Guests:** Teselyn Funches, Mississippi State Department of Health  
LaShunda Williams, Mississippi State Department of Health  
Stacy Callender, Mississippi State Department of Health  
Tricia Shannon, Mississippi Development Authority  
Eric Davis, Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services  
Lee Shirley, Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services  
Harris Van Buskirk, Mississippi Department of Transportation  
Melanie Green, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality  
Keesha Love, Hudspeth Regional Center  
Terri Ashley, Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration  
Alicia Coleman, Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration  
Matthew Dry, PEER  
Toni Johnson, Mississippi Department of Mental Health  
Doug Miracle, Office of the Attorney General

Jackie Sampsell, Mississippi Department of Education  
Monique Corley, Mississippi Department of Education  
Betsy Toles, Mississippi Department of Education  
Teresa McNeece, Mississippi State Hospital

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Norman McLeod.

**II. DFA Office of Purchasing, Travel and Fleet Management (OPTFM)**

**A. Consideration of State Agency Contracts for Board Action**

**1. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT)

**Suppliers:** Arcosa LW BR, LLC., Warren Paving, Inc., Terral River Service Inc., Vulcan Construction Materials LLC., Fullen Dock & Warehouse, Nunley Trucking Co. Inc., APAC – Mississippi Inc., BWI MTN II Inc, Dunham Inc.

**Contract #:** 8900001900, 8900001901, 8900001902, 8900001903, 8900001904, 8900001905, 8900001906, 8900001922

**Term:** 7/1/2022 through 6/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$3,565,000.00 (\$125,000.00, \$1,500,000.00, \$750,000.00, \$950,000.00, \$20,000.00, \$20,000.00, \$50,000.00, \$50,000.00, \$100,000)

**Summary of Request:** MDOT inadvertently omitted a contract for the crushed aggregate agenda item approved by the Board on June 1, 2022. MDOT wishes to award to the additional vendor Dunham Inc. for a total increase in value of \$100,000.00

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance and has been determined to comply with all rules and regulations and legal requirements by DFA staff. Based on the information provided, OPTFM recommends approval of the additional contract.

**Action:** A motion was made by Ms. Wray to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Morehead and unanimously approved by all members present.

**III. DFA Office of Personal Service Contract Review (OPSCR)**

**A. Petitions for Relief from Competitive Sealed Bidding**

**1. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality

**RFx Number:** 3180001713

**Procurement Request:** Request for Qualifications

**Anticipated Term:** Two years with Renewals Not to Exceed Five Years Total

**Anticipated Contract Amount:** \$400,000.00

**Summary of Request:** The Agency is seeking to contract with multiple Contractors to create a list of qualified land surveyors to provide services on an as-needed basis. The services are needed for various natural restoration projects on the Mississippi Gulf Coast necessitated by the 2010 Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill. Placement on the Agency's list of qualified contractors does not guarantee the Contractor will be selected to perform any specified amount of work. The

Agency contends the use of an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure this service is neither practical nor advantageous because price is not the most important factor and the Agency would like to comparatively evaluate the qualifications of the Offerors. Offerors will be evaluated on Technical factors weighted at 20%, Management factors weighted at 25%, and Cost factors weighted at 55%. Of the Cost factors, Price is weighted at 35% and other Cost factors are weighted at 20%.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends granting the Agency's Petition for Relief from competitive sealed bidding requirements, as allowed by Miss. Code Ann. § 31-7-403(4), and approval of the use of a Request for Qualifications as the procurement method.

**Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Morehead to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Russell and unanimously approved by all members present.

**2. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Development Authority

**RFx Number:** 3180001760

**Procurement Request:** Request for Proposals

**Anticipated Term:** Two Years and Two Months, with No Renewals

**Anticipated Contract Amount:** Undetermined

**Summary of Request:** The Agency is seeking to contract with one Contractor to provide an interior design plan to update and furnish eleven (11) Welcome Centers. The Agency contends the use of an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure this service is neither practical nor advantageous because price is not the most important factor and the Agency would like to evaluate the ability to design the Welcome Centers by comparing the Offerors' experience, qualifications, capabilities, staffing, and technical proficiencies. The Agency may also need to hold discussions with the Offerors, request that Offerors revise their proposals, and request Best and Final Offers. Offerors will be evaluated on Technical factors weighted at 36%, Management factors weighted at 29%, and Cost (Price) factors weighted at 35%.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends granting the Agency's Petition for Relief from competitive sealed bidding requirements, as allowed by Miss. Code Ann. § 31-7-403(4), and approval of the use of a Request for Proposals as the procurement method.

**Action:** A motion was made by Ms. Wray to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Katool and unanimously approved by all members present.

**B. Consideration of Contracts for Board Action**

**1. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Development Authority

**Supplier:** The University of Southern Mississippi

**Contract #:** 8200055201

**Term:** 04/01/2021-03/31/2023

**Total Value:** \$340,000.00

**Modification**  
**\$125,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was one year with one optional one-year renewal. Amendment Two has been submitted to increase the total value of the contract by \$125,000.00 to compensate the Contractor for additional services previously added and approved by the Board in March 2022. The Contractor assists with implementation of the State Defense Plan for the Governor's Office of Military Affairs. The Agency has determined the cost of services, including the requested increase in compensation, represents fair market value, as required by Section 3-102.04 of the PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract modification as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$190,000.00**

**Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Russell to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Katool and unanimously approved by all members present.

**2. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi State Department of Health

**Supplier:** PerkinElmer Genetics, Inc.

**Contract #:** 8200044795

**Term:** 07/01/2019-6/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$10,000,000.00

**Modification  
\$2,500,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was one year with three optional one-year renewals. Modification Three has been submitted to exercise the third and final optional renewal and update the total allowable compensation. The Contractor provides laboratory screening services for newborn babies.

**Staff Recommendation:** The request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract renewal as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$10,000,000.00**

**Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Morehead to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Wray and unanimously approved by all members present.

**3. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration

**Supplier:** Alok Dixit

**Contract #:** 119824

**Term:** 07/01/2020-06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$423,925.70

**Renewal  
\$146,834.60**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was one year with three optional one-year renewals. Amendment Number Three was submitted to exercise the second one-year renewal. Mr. Dixit is a Contract Worker who provides advanced technical support for the Mississippi Management and Reporting Systems' cross-application initiatives and legacy

applications. Amendment Number Three revises the compensation and contract period paragraphs. All other terms and conditions of the original contract remain the same.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract renewal as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$570,760.30**

**Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Morehead to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Russell and unanimously approved by all members present.

**4. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration

**Supplier:** Charles Michael Lanford

**Contract #:** 121980

**Term:** 10/01/2020-06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$273,109.20

**Renewal  
\$91,036.40**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was nine months with four optional one-year renewals. Amendment Number Two has been submitted to exercise the second one-year renewal. Mr. Lanford is a Contract Worker who provides consulting services to the Agency's executive leadership in various areas, including, but not limited to pending legislation, policies and procedures, and core business processes. Amendment Number Two revises the compensation and contract period paragraphs. All other terms and conditions of the original contract remain the same.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract renewal as requested

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$455,182.00**

**Action:** A motion was made by Ms. Wray to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Morehead and unanimously approved by all members present.

**5. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration

**Supplier:** CaremarkPCS Health, LLC d/b/a CVS Health

**Contract #:** 8200052819

**Term:** 01/01/2021-12/31/2024

**Total Value:** \$15,750,000.00

**Modification  
\$500,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was four years with one optional one-year renewal. The Contractor provides pharmacy benefit management services for the State and School Employees' Health Insurance Plan. Amendment Two has been submitted to transition to a new drug formulary in an effort to reduce pharmacy costs to the Health Insurance Plan. The Agency requests additional spending authority of \$500,000.00 for increased expenses related to the administration of the new formulary.



**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract modification as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$15,250,000.00** (*Revised Projected Budget for the Life of the Contract: \$15,750,000.00*)

**Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Morehead to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Wray and unanimously approved by all members present.

6. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration  
**Supplier:** Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi, a Mutual Insurance Company  
**Contract #:** 8200062910

**Term:** 01/01/2023 – 12/31/2026

**Total Value:** \$80,000,000.00

**New**

**\$80,000,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the contract is four years with one optional one-year renewal. The Contractor provides Third Party Administration services for the State and School Employees' Health Insurance Plan. The Contractor was selected through a Request for Proposals (RFP) with one respondent.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$100,000,000.00**

**Action:** A motion was made by Ms. Wray to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Morehead and unanimously approved by all members present.

7. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Mental Health - Hudspeth Regional Center

**Supplier:** Claudia V. White

**Contract #:** 10131349

**Term:** 07/01/2022-06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$86,000.00

**New**

**\$86,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the contract is one year with four optional one-year renewals. Ms. White is a Contract Worker who will be paid \$65.00 per hour to provide physical therapy services. She was selected through a Request for Applications (RFA) with one respondent.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$430,000.00**

**Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Russell to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Morehead and unanimously approved by all members present.

**8. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Mental Health - Hudspeth Regional Center

**Supplier:** Dr. Jo Luresa Harbour

**Contract #:** 126021

**Term:** 07/01/2018-06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$840,000.00

**Renewal**

**\$168,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was one year with four optional one-year renewals. Amendment Four has been submitted to exercise the final renewal. Dr. Harbour is a Contract Worker who is paid \$150.00 per hour to provide emergency medical care to psychiatric patients residing at Hudspeth Regional Center and \$100.00 per night to provide on-call services. Amendment Four updates the Contract Term, Consideration, and Entire Agreement clauses. All other terms and conditions of the original contract remain the same.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract renewal as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract:** \$840,000.00

**Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Morehead to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Russell and unanimously approved by all members present.

**9. Requesting Agency:** Ellisville State School at South Mississippi Regional Center

**Supplier:** Topps Private Investigation & Security

**Contract #:** 8200062946

**Term:** 07/01/2022-06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$156,000.00

**New**

**\$156,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the contract is one year with four optional one-year renewals. The Contractor will be paid \$25.00 per hour to provide armed security services. The Contractor was selected through an Invitation for Bids with one respondent. The Mississippi Board of Mental Health met on May 19, 2022 and approved this contract. Proof of the regulatory board's approval and the required Certificate of Insurance must be received prior to final processing of the contract.

**Staff Recommendation:** *The OPSCR staff recommends the Board's approval of the Agency's request to withdraw this contract.*

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract:** \$780,000.00

**Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Morehead to approve the staff recommendation to *withdraw this contract at the request of the Agency.* The motion was seconded by Ms. Wray and unanimously approved by all members present.

**10. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi State Hospital

**Term:** 07/01/2022 – 06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$96,096.00

**New**  
**\$96,096.00**

**Summary of Request** The term of the contracts is one year with no optional renewals. The Contract Workers will be paid \$42.00 per hour to provide full-time nursing services at various Mississippi State Hospital facilities. The Agency will also pay \$168.00 per week for FICA and other taxes. The Contract Workers were selected through a Request for Applications (RFA), resulting in contract awards to all eleven applicants. The Mississippi Board of Mental Health met on May 19, 2022 and approved these contracts. Proof of the regulatory board's approval must be received prior to final processing of the contracts.

- a. **Supplier:** LaVonne Boose  
**Contract #:** 10130848
  
- b. **Supplier:** Frederica Carson  
**Contract #:** 10130849
  
- c. **Supplier:** Fredetria Carson  
**Contract #:** 10130850
  
- d. **Supplier:** Tiease Degraffenried  
**Contract #:** 10130851
  
- e. **Supplier:** Trilandra Edwards  
**Contract #:** 10130852
  
- f. **Supplier:** Sharron King  
**Contract #:** 10130853
  
- g. **Supplier:** Ken Risinger  
**Contract #:** 10130854
  
- h. **Supplier:** Ashleigh Slater  
**Contract #:** 10130856
  
- i. **Supplier:** Teresa Veasley  
**Contract #:** 10130857
  
- j. **Supplier:** Ayanna Washington  
**Contract #:** 10130858
  
- k. **Supplier:** Ruth Washington  
**Contract #:** 10130859

**Staff Recommendation:** These requests have been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and they comply with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contracts as requested, contingent upon proof of the regulatory board's approval.



**Projected Budget for the Life of Each Contract: \$96,096.00**

**Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Morehead to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Katool and unanimously approved by all members present.

**11. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Mental Health – Central Office

**Supplier:** Ascend Management Innovations

**Contract #:** 8200051160

**Term:** 07/01/2020-06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$1,144,500.00

**Renewal  
\$457,800.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was one year with four optional one-year renewals. Modification Two has been submitted to exercise the second optional renewal. The Contractor conducts assessments to determine the level of care needed for individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (ID/DD). The Contractor is paid \$327.00 per in-person assessment and \$315.00 per assessment conducted telephonically. The Agency has increased the number of assessments from 1100 to 1400 for the renewal year. Modification Two updates the Contract Term, Consideration, and Entire Agreement clauses. All other terms and conditions of the original contract remain the same. The Mississippi Board of Mental Health met on May 19, 2022 and approved this contract. Proof of the regulatory board's approval must be received prior to final processing of the contract.

**Staff Recommendation:** The request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract renewal as requested, contingent upon proof of the regulatory board's approval.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$1,635,000.00**

**Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Morehead to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Wray and unanimously approved by all members present.

**12. Requesting Agencies:** Mississippi Department of Mental Health

Mississippi Attorney General's Office

**Supplier:** Hogan Health Solutions, LLC

**Summary of Request:** The term of the contract is approximately three years, three months, and twenty-four days and can be renewed in a manner that is consistent with the court order discussed herein. The Contractor will assess the Agency's compliance with a remedial order issued in *United States of America vs. State of Mississippi*, Cause No. 3:16-CV-622-CWR-FKB, in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi. The Contractor is a sole source provider pursuant to Section 3-206 of the PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations because a binding court order mandates the Contractor be used for this service. Both Agencies are parties to the contract, and the total contract amount has been divided among the two contract numbers in accordance with the payments to be made by each Agency.

The Agencies request exceptions to Sections 3-502(a), 4-101, and Appendix C of the PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations. Because this is a court ordered sole source provider, the Attorney General's Office has advised that the time limitation on service contracts found in Section 3-502(a) and the following clauses required by Section 4-101 and Appendix C are not applicable or enforceable: Termination for Convenience, Termination for Default, Termination upon Bankruptcy, Availability of Funds, Procurement Regulations, and Stop Work Order. OPSCR has reviewed the requested exceptions and agrees with the Agencies that the regulations are inapplicable and unenforceable as to the court ordered service.

**a. Agency:** Mississippi Department of Mental Health

**Contract #:** 8200062632

**Term:** 09/07/2021-06/30/2022

**Total Value:** \$96,659.24

**New  
\$96,659.24**

**b. Agency:** Mississippi Attorney General's Office

**Contract #:** 8200063626

**Term:** 09/07/2021-12/31/2024

**Total Value:** \$220,670.76

**New  
\$220,670.76**

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and, upon granting the requested exceptions, complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends granting the exceptions and approval of the contract as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$951,990.00**

**Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Morehead to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Katool and unanimously approved by all members present.

**13. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services

**Contract #:** TBD

**Term:** 07/01/2022-06/30/2023

**Summary of Request:** The term of each contract is one year with four optional one-year renewals. The medical doctors and psychologists are Contract Workers who provide expertise in making determinations on Social Security and Supplemental Security Income disability claims. The Contractors were chosen through a Request for Applications (RFA) with thirty-two (32) respondents. All respondents were awarded a contract, but two chose not to go forward with the award. Each Contract Worker will be compensated at unit rates established by the Agency for the various claims to be reviewed.

**a. Full-Time Medical Consulting**

**Total Value of Each Contract:** \$275,000.00

**Projected Budget for the Life of Each Contract:** \$1,375,000.00

**New  
\$275,000.00**

- i. R. Eugene Bass, M.D.  
Contract # 10130932

- ii. Alvin Brent, M.D.  
Contract # 10130950
- iii. Donald Faucett, M.D.  
Contract # 10130951
- iv. Laura Fincher, M.D.  
Contract # 10130952
- v. Madena J. Gibson, M.D.  
Contract # 10130953
- vi. Kaisha R. Griffin, M.D.  
Contract # 10130954
- vii. Kathleen Hardin, M.D.  
Contract # 10130955
- viii. Eva M. Henderson-Camara, M.D.  
Contract # 10130957
- ix. Glenn Edward James, M.D.  
Contract # 10130959
- x. Byron Thomas Jeffcoat, M.D.  
Contract # 10130960
- xi. Abe J. Malouf, Jr., M.D.  
Contract # 10130961
- xii. Tammy D. McGee, M.D.  
Contract # 10130962
- xiii. Reginald Rigsby, M.D.  
Contract # 10130966
- xiv. Louis J. Saddler, M.D.  
Contract # 10130965
- xv. Glenda Scallorn, M.D.  
Contract # 10130971
- xvi. Keith Stokes, M.D.  
Contract # 10130970
- xvii. Ralph E. Sulser, M.D.  
Contract # 10190974

xviii. Thomas S. Tapley, M.D.  
Contract # 10130975

**b. Part-Time Medical Consulting, PERS Retiree**

**Total Value of Each Contract: \$137,500.00**

**New  
\$137,500.00**

*The required Reemployment of PERS Service Retiree Certifications/Acknowledgements (Form 4B) have been received from the Agency.*

**Projected Budget for the Life of Each Contract: \$687,500.00**

i. Cherilyn Hebert, M.D.  
Contract # 10130956

ii. Melinda Jackson, M.D.  
Contract # 10130958

iii. Charulochana Subramony, M.D.  
Contract # 10130973

**c. Full-Time Psychological Consulting**

**Total Value of Each Contract: \$180,000.00**

**New  
\$180,000.00**

**Projected Budget for the Life of Each Contract: \$900,000.00**

i. Angela Herzog, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130978

ii. James D. Herzog, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130979

iii. Janise A. Hinson, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130980

iv. David D. Powers, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130982

v. Vicki L. Prosser, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130983

vi. Bryman E. Williams, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130984

vii. Lisa B. Yazdani, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130985

**d. Part-Time Psychological Consulting, PERS Retiree**

**Total Value of Each Contract: \$90,000.00**

**New  
\$90,000.00**

*The required Reemployment of PERS Service Retiree Certifications/Acknowledgements (Form 4B) have been received from the Agency.*

**Projected Budget for the Life of Each Contract: \$450,000.00**

- ii. Amy Morgan Baskin, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130977
- iii. Sheila Holmes, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130981

**Staff Recommendation:** These requests have been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and comply with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contracts as requested, *having received the required Reemployment of PERS Service Retiree Certifications/Acknowledgements.*

**Action:** A motion was made by Ms. Wray to approve the staff recommendation as presented, *having received the required Reemployment of PERS Service Retiree Certifications/Acknowledgements.* The motion was seconded by Mr. Morehead and unanimously approved by all members present.

**14. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Education

**Supplier:** ACT, Inc.

**Contract #:** 8800006380

**Term:** 09/11/2018 - 06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$7,092,000.00

**Renewal**

**\$1,462,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was approximately ten months with four optional one-year renewals. The Sixth Amendment has been submitted to exercise the final optional renewal. The Contractor provides the ACT college admissions assessment for all eleventh grade students enrolled in Mississippi public schools. The Contractor was declared to be a sole source provider by the Agency based on ACT, Inc. being the sole owner of the ACT assessment, test materials, scoring algorithms, reporting, and research services. The Contractor will be paid \$43.00 per assessment. The State Board of Education met on May 26, 2022 and approved this contract. Proof of the regulatory board's approval must be received prior to final processing of the contract.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract renewal as requested contingent upon proof of the regulatory board's approval.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$6,840,000.00**

**Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Russell to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Katool and unanimously approved by all members present.

**15. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Education

**Summary of Request:** The Contractors provide various assessment and testing services for students enrolled in Mississippi public schools. Miss. Code Ann. § 27-104-7(2)(I) allows the Agency to enter contracts for student assessment services for a period up to ten years. The



Amendments have been submitted in each contract to renew the services for the 2022-2023 school year. The Agency will pay each Contractor unit rates as reflected in the Contractors' responses to the original solicitations. The State Board of Education approved these contracts at its May 26, 2022 meeting. Proof of the regulatory board's approval and the contractually required performance bonds must be received prior to final processing of the contracts.

**a. Supplier: NWEA**

**Contract #:** 8200060770

**Term:** 01/01/2015 – 06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$80,268,418.60

**Renewal**

**\$8,306,618.00**

The term of the original contract was one-year with nine optional one-year renewals. Modification Eight has been submitted to exercise the seventh optional renewal allowed by the original contract. The Contractor provides assessments in English Language Arts and Mathematics for third through eighth grade students, and End of Course Assessments in Algebra I and English II. The Agency has streamlined its requirements for content development, production and distribution of assessments, assessment scoring, and Contractor travel; accordingly, some scope of work contemplated by the original procurement and the corresponding pricing have not been included in the Modification.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$110,994,297.00**

**b. Supplier: NWEA**

**Contract #:** 8200060783

**Term:** 01/01/2015 – 06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$18,060,761.00

**Renewal**

**\$2,158,311.00**

The term of the original contract was one-year with nine optional one-year renewals. Modification Eight has been submitted to exercise the seventh optional renewal allowed by the original contract. The Contractor provides Assessments for students with significant cognitive disabilities in English Language Arts and Mathematics in the third through eighth grades, Science in the fifth through eighth grades, Algebra I, English II, and Biology I. The United States Department of Education now requires additional item development and an alignment study because of the Agency's adoption of the Mississippi Alternate Academic Achievement Standards; accordingly, the budget request for this renewal exceeds that of the original budget provided by the Contractor in response to the solicitation.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$17,615,373.00**

**c. Supplier: Data Recognition Corporation**

**Contract #:** 8200039469

**Term:** 08/06/2018 – 06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$14,388,736.00

**Renewal**

**\$2,788,056.00**

The term of the original contract was approximately ten months and twenty-five days with four optional one-year renewals. Modification Four has been submitted to exercise the final optional renewal. The Contractor provides Assessments in Science for fifth through eighth grade students, and End of Course Assessments in Biology I and U.S. History. The Agency has a reduced need for form development costs, Braille ancillary costs, and Contractor travel; accordingly, some scope of work contemplated by the original procurement and the corresponding pricing have not been included in the Modification.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$20,469,212.00**

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract renewals as requested, contingent upon receipt of the regulatory board's approval and a copy of the required performance bonds.

**Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Morehead to approve the staff recommendation as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Wray and unanimously approved by all members present.

**C. OPSCR Emergency Contracts Reported to the Board**

The OPSCR Emergency Contracts Report is attached to these Minutes as **Attachment A**.

**D. OPSCR Sole Source Contracts Reported to the Board**

The OPSCR Sole Source Contracts Report is attached to these Minutes as **Attachment B**.

**E. OPSCR Staff Approvals Reported to the Board**

The OPSCR Staff Approvals Report is attached to these Minutes as **Attachment C**.

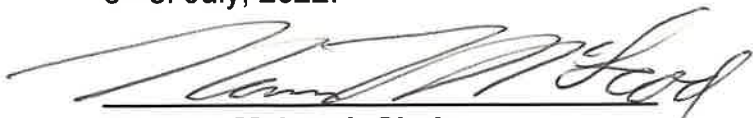
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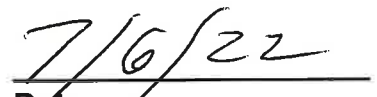
- A.** Mr. McLeod announced the upcoming Regular PPRB Meeting will be July 6, 2022.
- B.** Ms. Goodwin mentioned that the Board will receive a summary of legislation impacting public procurement that was passed this legislative session. Some regulation changes may need to be made, which the Board would have to adopt and approve before the changes are made.
- C.** Ms. Goodwin also thanked the Board for making the Special PPRB Meeting possible, which helped the staff manage their workload.

**V. Adjournment**

**Action:** A motion was made by Mr. Russell to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Katool and unanimously approved by all members present.

These Minutes of the Public Procurement Review Board were approved by the members on the 6<sup>th</sup> of July, 2022.

  
Norman McLeod, Chair

  
Date



**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**  
GOVERNOR TATE REEVES  
**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**  
LIZ WELCH  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# **NOTICE**

A Special Meeting of the

## **PUBLIC PROCUREMENT REVIEW BOARD**

will be held Wednesday, June 22, 2022, 9:00 a.m. in  
Conference Room 145  
Woolfolk State Office Building









PUBLIC PROCUREMENT REVIEW BOARD

Special Meeting

June 22, 2022

9:00 a.m.

GUEST ATTENDANCE SHEET

(Please Print)

NAME AND TITLE

AGENCY/COMPANY

Lashunda Williams	MS State Department of Health
Teselyn M. Funchos	MSDH
Keesha Lowe-Nash	Hudspeth Regional Center
Terri Ashley	DFA
Harris VanBuskirk	MDOT
Melanie Green	MDEQ
Matthew Day	DEER
Toni Johnson	DMH
Alicia Coleman	DFA/OI
Eriz Davis	MOPAS
Doug Mischke	Attorney General
Stacy Callender	MSDH
Micela Shammun	MOA
Jackie Sampson	MDE
Monique Day	MJE
Robert J. [unclear]	MDE
Ferisa Murrece	MSH



## SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, June 22, 2022

9:00 a.m.

Woolfolk Office Building, Room 145

### I. Call to Order

### II. DFA Office of Purchasing, Travel and Fleet Management (OPTFM)

#### A. Consideration of State Agency Contracts for Board Action

##### 1. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT)

**Suppliers:** Arcosa LW BR, LLC., Warren Paving, Inc., Terral River Service Inc., Vulcan Construction Materials LLC., Fullen Dock & Warehouse, Nunley Trucking Co. Inc., APAC – Mississippi Inc., BWI MTN II Inc, Dunham Inc.

**Contract #:** 8900001900, 8900001901, 8900001902, 8900001903, 8900001904, 8900001905, 8900001906, 8900001922

**Term:** 7/1/2022 through 6/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$3,565,000.00 (\$125,000.00, \$1,500,000.00, \$750,000.00, \$950,000.00, \$20,000.00, \$20,000.00, \$50,000.00, \$50,000.00, \$100,000)

**Summary of Request:** MDOT inadvertently omitted a contract for the crushed aggregate agenda item approved by the Board on June 1, 2022. MDOT wishes to award to the additional vendor Dunham Inc. for a total increase in value of \$100,000.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance and has been determined to comply with all rules and regulations and legal requirements by DFA staff. Based on the information provided, OPTFM recommends approval of the additional contract.

### III. DFA Office of Personal Service Contract Review (OPSCR)

#### A. Petitions for Relief from Competitive Sealed Bidding

##### 1. Requesting Agency: Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality

**RFx Number:** 3180001713

**Procurement Request:** Request for Qualifications

**Anticipated Term:** Two years with Renewals Not to Exceed Five Years Total

**Anticipated Contract Amount:** \$400,000.00

**Summary of Request:** The Agency is seeking to contract with multiple Contractors to create a list of qualified land surveyors to provide services on an as-needed basis. The services are needed for various natural restoration projects on the Mississippi Gulf Coast necessitated by the 2010 Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill. Placement on the Agency's list of qualified contractors does

not guarantee the Contractor will be selected to perform any specified amount of work. The Agency contends the use of an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure this service is neither practical nor advantageous because price is not the most important factor and the Agency would like to comparatively evaluate the qualifications of the Offerors. Offerors will be evaluated on Technical factors weighted at 20%, Management factors weighted at 25%, and Cost factors weighted at 55%. Of the Cost factors, Price is weighted at 35% and other Cost factors are weighted at 20%.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends granting the Agency's Petition for Relief from competitive sealed bidding requirements, as allowed by Miss. Code Ann. § 31-7-403(4), and approval of the use of a Request for Qualifications as the procurement method.

**2. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Development Authority

**RFx Number:** 3180001760

**Procurement Request:** Request for Proposals

**Anticipated Term:** Two Years and Two Months, with No Renewals

**Anticipated Contract Amount:** Undetermined

**Summary of Request:** The Agency is seeking to contract with one Contractor to provide an interior design plan to update and furnish eleven (11) Welcome Centers. The Agency contends the use of an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure this service is neither practical nor advantageous because price is not the most important factor and the Agency would like to evaluate the ability to design the Welcome Centers by comparing the Offerors' experience, qualifications, capabilities, staffing, and technical proficiencies. The Agency may also need to hold discussions with the Offerors, request that Offerors revise their proposals, and request Best and Final Offers. Offerors will be evaluated on Technical factors weighted at 36%, Management factors weighted at 29%, and Cost (Price) factors weighted at 35%.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends granting the Agency's Petition for Relief from competitive sealed bidding requirements, as allowed by Miss. Code Ann. § 31-7-403(4), and approval of the use of a Request for Proposals as the procurement method.

**B. Consideration of Contracts for Board Action**

**1. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Development Authority

**Supplier:** The University of Southern Mississippi

**Contract #:** 8200055201

**Term:** 04/01/2021-03/31/2023

**Total Value:** \$340,000.00

**Modification**  
**\$125,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was one year with one optional one-year renewal. Amendment Two has been submitted to increase the total value of the contract by \$125,000.00 to compensate the Contractor for additional services previously added and approved by the Board in March 2022. The Contractor assists with implementation of the State Defense Plan for the Governor's Office of Military Affairs. The Agency has determined the cost of services, including the requested increase in compensation, represents fair market value, as required by Section 3-102.04 of the PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract modification as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$190,000.00**

**2. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi State Department of Health

**Supplier:** PerkinElmer Genetics, Inc.

**Contract #:** 8200044795

**Term:** 07/01/2019-6/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$10,000,000.00

**Modification  
\$2,500,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was one year with three optional one-year renewals. Modification Three has been submitted to exercise the third and final optional renewal and update the total allowable compensation. The Contractor provides laboratory screening services for newborn babies.

**Staff Recommendation:** The request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract renewal as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$10,000,000.00**

**3. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration

**Supplier:** Alok Dixit

**Contract #:** 119824

**Term:** 07/01/2020-06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$423,925.70

**Renewal  
\$146,834.60**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was one year with three optional one-year renewals. Amendment Number Three was submitted to exercise the second one-year renewal. Mr. Dixit is a Contract Worker who provides advanced technical support for the Mississippi Management and Reporting Systems' cross-application initiatives and legacy applications. Amendment Number Three revises the compensation and contract period paragraphs. All other terms and conditions of the original contract remain the same.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract renewal as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$570,760.30**

**4. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration

**Supplier:** Charles Michael Lanford

**Contract #:** 121980

**Term:** 10/01/2020-06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$273,109.20

**Renewal  
\$91,036.40**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was nine months with four optional one-year renewals. Amendment Number Two has been submitted to exercise the second one-year renewal. Mr. Lanford is a Contract Worker who provides consulting services to the Agency's executive leadership in various areas, including, but not limited to pending legislation, policies and procedures, and core business processes. Amendment Number Two revises the compensation and contract period paragraphs. All other terms and conditions of the original contract remain the same.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract renewal as requested

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$455,182.00**

**5. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration

**Supplier:** CaremarkPCS Health, LLC d/b/a CVS Health

**Contract #:** 8200052819

**Term:** 01/01/2021-12/31/2024

**Total Value:** \$15,750,000.00

**Modification  
\$500,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was four years with one optional one-year renewal. The Contractor provides pharmacy benefit management services for the State and School Employees' Health Insurance Plan. Amendment Two has been submitted to transition to a new drug formulary in an effort to reduce pharmacy costs to the Health Insurance Plan. The Agency requests additional spending authority of \$500,000.00 for increased expenses related to the administration of the new formulary.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract modification as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$15,250,000.00**

**6. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration

**Supplier:** Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi, a Mutual Insurance Company

**Contract #:** 8200062910

**Term:** 01/01/2023 – 12/31/2026

**Total Value:** \$80,000,000.00

**New  
\$80,000,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the contract is four years with one optional one-year renewal. The Contractor provides Third Party Administration services for the State and School Employees' Health Insurance Plan. The Contractor was selected through a Request for Proposals (RFP) with one respondent.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$100,000,000.00**



7. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Mental Health - Hudspeth Regional Center  
**Supplier:** Claudia V. White  
**Contract #:** 10131349  
**Term:** 07/01/2022-06/30/2023  
**Total Value:** \$86,000.00 **New**  
**\$86,000.00**  
**Summary of Request:** The term of the contract is one year with four optional one-year renewals. Ms. White is a Contract Worker who will be paid \$65.00 per hour to provide physical therapy services. She was selected through a Request for Applications (RFA) with one respondent.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$430,000.00**

8. **Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Mental Health - Hudspeth Regional Center  
**Supplier:** Dr. Jo Luresa Harbour  
**Contract #:** 126021  
**Term:** 07/01/2018-06/30/2023  
**Total Value:** \$840,000.00 **Renewal**  
**\$168,000.00**  
**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was one year with four optional one-year renewals. Amendment Four has been submitted to exercise the final renewal. Dr. Harbour is a Contract Worker who is paid \$150.00 per hour to provide emergency medical care to psychiatric patients residing at Hudspeth Regional Center and \$100.00 per night to provide on-call services. Amendment Four updates the Contract Term, Consideration, and Entire Agreement clauses. All other terms and conditions of the original contract remain the same.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract renewal as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$840,000.00**

9. **Requesting Agency:** Ellisville State School at South Mississippi Regional Center  
**Supplier:** Topps Private Investigation & Security  
**Contract #:** 8200062946  
**Term:** 07/01/2022-06/30/2023  
**Total Value:** \$156,000.00 **New**  
**\$156,000.00**  
**Summary of Request:** The term of the contract is one year with four optional one-year renewals. The Contractor will be paid \$25.00 per hour to provide armed security services. The Contractor was selected through an Invitation for Bids with one respondent. The Mississippi Board of Mental Health met on May 19, 2022 and approved this contract. Proof of the regulatory board's approval and the required Certificate of Insurance must be received prior to final processing of the contract.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR

recommends approval of the contract as requested, contingent upon proof of the regulatory board's approval and an appropriate Certificate of Insurance.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$780,000.00**

**10. Requesting Agency: Mississippi State Hospital**

**Term: 07/01/2022 – 06/30/2023**

**Total Value: \$96,096.00**

**New  
\$96,096.00**

**Summary of Request** The term of the contracts is one year with no optional renewals. The Contract Workers will be paid \$42.00 per hour to provide full-time nursing services at various Mississippi State Hospital facilities. The Agency will also pay \$168.00 per week for FICA and other taxes. The Contract Workers were selected through a Request for Applications (RFA), resulting in contract awards to all eleven applicants. The Mississippi Board of Mental Health met on May 19, 2022 and approved these contracts. Proof of the regulatory board's approval must be received prior to final processing of the contracts.

- a. **Supplier: LaVonne Boose**  
**Contract #: 10130848**
  
- b. **Supplier: Frederica Carson**  
**Contract #: 10130849**
  
- c. **Supplier: Fredetria Carson**  
**Contract #: 10130850**
  
- d. **Supplier: Tiease Degraffenried**  
**Contract #: 10130851**
  
- e. **Supplier: Trilandra Edwards**  
**Contract #: 10130852**
  
- f. **Supplier: Sharron King**  
**Contract #: 10130853**
  
- g. **Supplier: Ken Risinger**  
**Contract #: 10130854**
  
- h. **Supplier: Ashleigh Slater**  
**Contract #: 10130856**
  
- i. **Supplier: Teresa Veasley**  
**Contract #: 10130857**
  
- j. **Supplier: Ayanna Washington**  
**Contract #: 10130858**
  
- k. **Supplier: Ruth Washington**  
**Contract #: 10130859**

**Staff Recommendation:** These requests have been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and they comply with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contracts as requested, contingent upon proof of the regulatory board's approval.

**Projected Budget for the Life of Each Contract: \$96,096.00**

**11. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Mental Health – Central Office

**Supplier:** Ascend Management Innovations

**Contract #:** 8200051160

**Term:** 07/01/2020-06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$1,144,500.00

**Renewal  
\$457,800.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was one year with four optional one-year renewals. Modification Two has been submitted to exercise the second optional renewal. The Contractor conducts assessments to determine the level of care needed for individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (ID/DD). The Contractor is paid \$327.00 per in-person assessment and \$315.00 per assessment conducted telephonically. The Agency has increased the number of assessments from 1100 to 1400 for the renewal year. Modification Two updates the Contract Term, Consideration, and Entire Agreement clauses. All other terms and conditions of the original contract remain the same. The Mississippi Board of Mental Health met on May 19, 2022 and approved this contract. Proof of the regulatory board's approval must be received prior to final processing of the contract.

**Staff Recommendation:** The request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract renewal as requested, contingent upon proof of the regulatory board's approval.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$1,635,000.00**

**12. Requesting Agencies:** Mississippi Department of Mental Health

Mississippi Attorney General's Office

**Supplier:** Hogan Health Solutions, LLC

**Summary of Request:** The term of the contract is approximately three years, three months, and twenty-four days and can be renewed in a manner that is consistent with the court order discussed herein. The Contractor will assess the Agency's compliance with a remedial order issued in *United States of America vs. State of Mississippi*, Cause No. 3:16-CV-622-CWR-FKB, in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi. The Contractor is a sole source provider pursuant to Section 3-206 of the PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations because a binding court order mandates the Contractor be used for this service. Both Agencies are parties to the contract, and the total contract amount has been divided among the two contract numbers in accordance with the payments to be made by each Agency.

The Agencies request exceptions to Sections 3-502(a), 4-101, and Appendix C of the PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations. Because this is a court ordered sole source provider, the Attorney General's Office has advised that the time limitation on service contracts found in

Section 3-502(a) and the following clauses required by Section 4-101 and Appendix C are not applicable or enforceable: Termination for Convenience, Termination for Default, Termination upon Bankruptcy, Availability of Funds, Procurement Regulations, and Stop Work Order. OPSCR has reviewed the requested exceptions and agrees with the Agencies that the regulations are inapplicable and unenforceable as to the court ordered service.

**a. Agency:** Mississippi Department of Mental Health

**Contract #:** 8200062632

**Term:** 09/07/2021-06/30/2022

**Total Value:** \$96,659.24

**New**  
**\$96,659.24**

**b. Agency:** Mississippi Attorney General's Office

**Contract #:** 8200063626

**Term:** 09/07/2021-12/31/2024

**Total Value:** \$220,670.76

**New**  
**\$220,670.76**

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and, upon granting the requested exceptions, complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends granting the exceptions and approval of the contract as requested.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$951,990.00**

**13. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services

**Contract #:** TBD

**Term:** 07/01/2022-06/30/2023

**Summary of Request:** The term of each contract is one year with four optional one-year renewals. The medical doctors and psychologists are Contract Workers who provide expertise in making determinations on Social Security and Supplemental Security Income disability claims. The Contractors were chosen through a Request for Applications (RFA) with thirty-two (32) respondents. All respondents were awarded a contract, but two chose not to go forward with the award. Each Contract Worker will be compensated at unit rates established by the Agency for the various claims to be reviewed.

**a. Full-Time Medical Consulting**

**Total Value of Each Contract:** \$275,000.00

**Projected Budget for the Life of Each Contract: \$1,375,000.00**

**New**  
**\$275,000.00**

i. R. Eugene Bass, M.D.  
Contract # 10130932

ii. Alvin Brent, M.D.  
Contract # 10130950

iii. Donald Faucett, M.D.  
Contract # 10130951

- iv. Laura Fincher, M.D.  
Contract # 10130952
- v. Madena J. Gibson, M.D.  
Contract # 10130953
- vi. Kaisha R. Griffin, M.D.  
Contract # 10130954
- vii. Kathleen Hardin, M.D.  
Contract # 10130955
- viii. Eva M. Henderson-Camara, M.D.  
Contract # 10130957
- ix. Glenn Edward James, M.D.  
Contract # 10130959
- x. Byron Thomas Jeffcoat, M.D.  
Contract # 10130960
- xi. Abe J. Malouf, Jr., M.D.  
Contract # 10130961
- xii. Tammy D. McGee, M.D.  
Contract # 10130962
- xiii. Reginald Rigsby, M.D.  
Contract # 10130966
- xiv. Louis J. Saddler, M.D.  
Contract # 10130965
- xv. Glenda Scallorn, M.D.  
Contract # 10130971
- xvi. Keith Stokes, M.D.  
Contract # 10130970
- xvii. Ralph E. Sulser, M.D.  
Contract # 10190974
- xviii. Thomas S. Tapley, M.D.  
Contract # 10130975



**b. Part-Time Medical Consulting, PERS Retiree** **New**  
**Total Value of Each Contract: \$137,500.00** **\$137,500.00**  
A completed Reemployment of PERS Service Retiree Certification/Acknowledgement (Form 4B) must be received from the Agency prior to final processing of these contracts.  
**Projected Budget for the Life of Each Contract: \$687,500.00**

- i. Cherilyn Hebert, M.D.  
Contract # 10130956
- ii. Melinda Jackson, M.D.  
Contract # 10130958
- iii. Charulochana Subramony, M.D.  
Contract # 10130973

**c. Full-Time Psychological Consulting** **New**  
**Total Value of Each Contract: \$180,000.00** **\$180,000.00**  
**Projected Budget for the Life of Each Contract: \$900,000.00**

- i. Angela Herzog, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130978
- ii. James D. Herzog, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130979
- iii. Janise A. Hinson, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130980
- iv. David D. Powers, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130982
- v. Vicki L. Prosser, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130983
- vi. Bryman E. Williams, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130984
- vii. Lisa B. Yazdani, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130985

**d. Part-Time Psychological Consulting, PERS Retiree** **New**  
**Total Value of Each Contract: \$90,000.00** **\$90,000.00**  
A completed Reemployment of PERS Service Retiree Certification/Acknowledgement (Form 4B) must be received from the Agency prior to final processing of these contracts.  
**Projected Budget for the Life of Each Contract: \$450,000.00**

- ii. Amy Morgan Baskin, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130977

- iii. Sheila Holmes, Ph.D.  
Contract # 10130981

**Staff Recommendation:** These requests have been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and comply with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contracts as requested, contingent upon receipt of the required Reemployment of PERS Service Retiree Certifications/Acknowledgements.

**14. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Education

**Supplier:** ACT, Inc.

**Contract #:** 8800006380

**Term:** 09/11/2018 - 06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$7,092,000.00

**Renewal**  
**\$1,462,000.00**

**Summary of Request:** The term of the original contract was approximately ten months with four optional one-year renewals. The Sixth Amendment has been submitted to exercise the final optional renewal. The Contractor provides the ACT college admissions assessment for all eleventh grade students enrolled in Mississippi public schools. The Contractor was declared to be a sole source provider by the Agency based on ACT, Inc. being the sole owner of the ACT assessment, test materials, scoring algorithms, reporting, and research services. The Contractor will be paid \$43.00 per assessment. The State Board of Education met on May 26, 2022 and approved this contract. Proof of the regulatory board's approval must be received prior to final processing of the contract.

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract renewal as requested contingent upon proof of the regulatory board's approval.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$6,840,000.00**

**15. Requesting Agency:** Mississippi Department of Education

**Summary of Request:** The Contractors provide various assessment and testing services for students enrolled in Mississippi public schools. Miss. Code Ann. § 27-104-7(2)(l) allows the Agency to enter contracts for student assessment services for a period up to ten years. The Amendments have been submitted in each contract to renew the services for the 2022-2023 school year. The Agency will pay each Contractor unit rates as reflected in the Contractors' responses to the original solicitations. The State Board of Education approved these contracts at its May 26, 2022 meeting. Proof of the regulatory board's approval and the contractually required performance bonds must be received prior to final processing of the contracts.

**a. Supplier:** NWEA

**Contract #:** 8200060770

**Term:** 01/01/2015 – 06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$80,268,418.60

**Renewal**  
**\$8,306,618.00**

The term of the original contract was one-year with nine optional one-year renewals. Modification Eight has been submitted to exercise the seventh optional renewal allowed by the original contract. The Contractor provides assessments in English Language Arts and

Mathematics for third through eighth grade students, and End of Course Assessments in Algebra I and English II. The Agency has streamlined its requirements for content development, production and distribution of assessments, assessment scoring, and Contractor travel; accordingly, some scope of work contemplated by the original procurement and the corresponding pricing have not been included in the Modification.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$110,994,297.00**

**b. Supplier: NWEA**

**Contract #:** 8200060783

**Term:** 01/01/2015 – 06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$18,060,761.00

**Renewal  
\$2,158,311.00**

The term of the original contract was one-year with nine optional one-year renewals. Modification Eight has been submitted to exercise the seventh optional renewal allowed by the original contract. The Contractor provides Assessments for students with significant cognitive disabilities in English Language Arts and Mathematics in the third through eighth grades, Science in the fifth through eighth grades, Algebra I, English II, and Biology I. The United States Department of Education now requires additional item development and an alignment study because of the Agency's adoption of the Mississippi Alternate Academic Achievement Standards; accordingly, the budget request for this renewal exceeds that of the original budget provided by the Contractor in response to the solicitation.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$17,615,373.00**

**c. Supplier: Data Recognition Corporation**

**Contract #:** 8200039469

**Term:** 08/06/2018 – 06/30/2023

**Total Value:** \$14,388,736.00

**Renewal  
\$2,788,056.00**

The term of the original contract was approximately ten months and twenty-five days with four optional one-year renewals. Modification Four has been submitted to exercise the final optional renewal. The Contractor provides Assessments in Science for fifth through eighth grade students, and End of Course Assessments in Biology I and U.S. History. The Agency has a reduced need for form development costs, Braille ancillary costs, and Contractor travel; accordingly, some scope of work contemplated by the original procurement and the corresponding pricing have not been included in the Modification.

**Projected Budget for Life of the Contract: \$20,469,212.00**

**Staff Recommendation:** This request has been reviewed for compliance by OPSCR staff and complies with PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations and all legal requirements. OPSCR recommends approval of the contract renewals as requested, contingent upon receipt of the regulatory board's approval and a copy of the required performance bonds.

**C. OPSCR Emergency Contracts Reported to the Board**

**D. OPSCR Sole Source Contracts Reported to the Board**

**E. OPSCR Staff Approvals Reported to the Board**

**IV. Other Business**

**A. Next Regular PPRB Meeting July 6, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.**

**V. Adjournment**

# **Attachment A**

**OPSCR**

Emergency Contracts

**Emergency Contracts  
Office of Personal Service Contract Review  
Reported to PPRB in Calendar Year 2022**

**Calendar Year 2022 Total:  
\$51,973,459.40**

Emergency Contracts Reported June 22, 2022							
Contract #	Agency	Contractor	Service	Action	Amount	Start	End
8400002190	East Mississippi State Hospital	Healthcare Service Group	Food Services	New	\$3,505,000.00	4/15/2022	4/14/2023
8400001870	Mississippi State Hospital	Infiniti Healthcare Services	Nursing Services	Modification	\$250,000.00	7/14/2021	6/30/2022
<b>Total Reported in June 2022:</b>					<b>\$3,755,000.00</b>		



**Emergency Contracts  
Office of Personal Service Contract Review  
Reported to PPRB in Calendar Year 2022**

Emergency Contracts Reported May 4, 2022							
Contract #	Agency	Contractor	Service	Action	Amount	Start	End
8400002160	Mississippi Department of Corrections	S&S Management Group, LLC	Security Services	New	\$60,000.00	3/19/2022	3/18/2023
8400002134	Mississippi Department of Revenue	S&S Management Group, LLC	Security Services	New	\$130,000.00	3/18/2022	3/17/2023
8400002180	Mississippi State Department of Health	Maverick Health	Health Staffing	New	\$6,000,000.00	1/5/2022	1/5/2023
8200053761	Mississippi State Hospital	Elior, Inc. dba Cura Hospitality	Food Services	New	\$1,900,249.40	3/9/2022	3/8/2023
<b>Total Reported in May 2022:</b>					<b>\$8,090,249.40</b>		

**Emergency Contracts  
Office of Personal Service Contract Review  
Reported to PPRB in Calendar Year 2022**

Emergency Contracts Reported April 6, 2022							
Contract #	Agency	Contractor	Service	Action	Amount	Start	End
8400001802	East Mississippi State Hospital	Rush Medical Foundation	Laboratory Testing	Modification	\$250,000.00	5/20/2021	5/19/2022
8400002102	Boswell Regional Center	Infiniti Healthcare Services	Nursing Services	New	\$80,000.00	2/7/2022	1/31/2023
8400002103	Boswell Regional Center	Prime Care Nursing, Inc.	Nursing Services	New	\$80,000.00	2/7/2022	1/31/2023
8400002100	Mississippi Department of Education	Margie Pulley	Interim Superintendent, Tunica Co. Schools	New	\$99,750.00	7/1/2022	6/30/2023
8400002094	Mississippi Department of Education	Teaching Lab	Mathematics Instructional Coaches	New	\$1,651,421.00	2/18/2022	6/30/2022
8400002093	Mississippi Department of Education	GradeSlam America Inc.	High Dosage Tutoring	New	\$10,759,584.00	3/1/2022	9/30/2024
<b>Total Reported in April 2022:</b>					<b>\$12,920,755.00</b>		

**Emergency Contracts  
Office of Personal Service Contract Review  
Reported to PPRB in Calendar Year 2022**

Emergency Contracts Reported March 2, 2022							
Contract #	Agency	Contractor	Service	Action	Amount	Start	End
8400002071	Mississippi State Department of Health	TF Rankin & Associates, Inc.	Emergency Management Consulting	New	\$1,500,000.00	3/12/2022	3/11/2023
8400002090	Mississippi State Department of Health	Staffers, Inc.	Temporary Staffing / Dislocated Worker Subgrant	New	\$2,745,920.00	2/1/2022	12/30/2022
8400002054	Mississippi Department of Education	TempStaff, Inc.	Call Center Staffing	New	\$1,847,785.00	12/29/2021	9/30/2024
8400001695	Mississippi Department of Education	Margie B. Pulley	Interim Superintendent (Tunica Co.)	Modification	\$199,500.00	7/1/2021	6/30/2022
8400001915	Mississippi Department of Education	Data Recognition Corporation	English Language Proficiency Test	New	\$413,250.00	9/1/2021	6/30/2022
8400001772	Mississippi Emergency Management Agency	H&S Commercial and Industrial	COVID Test Site Staffing	Modification	\$600,000.00	2/18/2021	2/17/2022
<b>Total Reported in March 2022:</b>					<b>\$7,306,455.00</b>		

**Emergency Contracts  
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Emergency Contracts Reported February 2, 2022							
Contract #	Agency	Contractor	Service	Action	Amount	Start	End
8400002065	East Mississippi State Hospital	Infiniti Healthcare Services	Nursing Services	New	\$750,000.00	1/1/2022	12/31/2022
8400002033	Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services	United Methodist Children's Home of Mississippi LLC	Assessment Services	New	\$1,095,000.00	12/9/2021	11/8/2022
8400002042	Mississippi Department of Corrections	S&S Management Group LLC	Security Services	New	\$4,056,000.00	12/1/2021	11/30/2022
8400001923	Mississippi Emergency Management Agency	SnapMed Tech, Inc.	Medical Staffing	Modification	\$10,000,000.00	8/20/2021	8/19/2021
8400002052	Mississippi State Department of Health	Maris West & Baker, Inc.	Communication Services	New	\$4,000,000.00	1/1/2022	12/31/2022
<b>Total Reported in February 2022:</b>					<b>\$19,901,000.00</b>		

# **Attachment B**

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Sole Source Contracts

**Sole Source Contracts**  
**Office of Personal Service Contract Review**  
**Reported to PPRB Calendar Year 2022**

No New Sole Source Contracts to Report in June 2022

Contract #	Agency	Contractor	Service	Action	Amount	Start Date	End Date
8800008051	Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services	Public Catalyst Group	Court Ordered Compliance Monitor	New	\$1,654,000.00	1/1/2022	12/31/2022
8800007513	Mississippi Department of Education	Hanover Research Council	Proprietary Research	Modification	\$48,000.00	11/9/2020	6/30/2023
<b>Total Reported in Calendar Year 2022: \$1,702,000.00</b>							



# **Attachment C**

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Staff Approvals

**Staff Approvals**  
**Office of Personal Service Contract Review**  
**Reported to PPRB in June 2022**

Staff Approvals Reported June 22, 2022							
Contract #	Agency	Contractor	Service	Action	Amount	Approval Type	Staff Authority
127188	East Mississippi State Hospital	Joann Eldora Lake	Contract Worker	Technical	\$0.00	Multiple Contracts	7-102.01
127424	East Mississippi State Hospital	Rachel Scarbrough	Contract Worker	Technical	\$0.00	Multiple Contracts	7-102.01
8200040053	East Mississippi State Hospital	Rush Medical Foundation	Acute Care Hospital Services	Technical	\$0.00	Technical	7-110.01
8200056201	Ellisville State School	Infiniti Healthcare Services	Nursing Services	Modification	\$600,000.00	PVL	3-208.02
8200055979	Mississippi Department of Education	North Mississippi Education Consortium	Training and Professional Development	Technical	\$0.00	Statutory Exemption	3-101.02(h) / 37-7-345(7)
8200062580	Mississippi Department of Employment Security	Warner, Inc.	Janitorial Services	New	\$58,391.28	Multiple Contracts	7-102.01
8200062599	Mississippi Department of Employment Security	Warner, Inc.	Janitorial Services	New	\$20,654.64	Multiple Contracts	7-102.01

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8200062413	Mississippi Department of Employment Security	Mississippi Yard Barber, LLC	Lawn and Landscaping Services	New	\$82,800.00	PVL	3-208.02
8200061114	Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration	Warner, Inc.	Legislative Session Porter	Modification	\$0.00	Technical	7-110.01
8200060657	Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration	Elliott Aviation of the Quad Cities	Aircraft Maintenance	Technical	\$0.00	Statutory Exemption	3-101.02(h) / 17-104-7(2)(f)
8200061145	Mississippi Department of Human Services	Orleans Security, LLC	Security Services	Modification	\$58,520.00	PVL	3-208.02
8200062125	Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services	Warner, Inc.	Janitorial Services	New	\$125,000.00	PVL	3-208.02
8200062176	Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services	Safe Security, Inc.	Security Services	New	\$145,000.00	PVL	3-208.02
8200062993	Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services	Warner, Inc.	Janitorial Services	New	\$6,000.00	Multiple Contracts	7-102.01
8200057272	Mississippi Department of Revenue	Staffers, Inc.	Temporary Staffing	Modification	\$0.00	PVL	3-208.02

**Staff Approvals  
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8200062646	Mississippi Department of Revenue	Prewitt Contract Services, Inc.	Janitorial Services	New	\$33,000.00	Multiple Contracts	7-102.01
8200057735	Mississippi Division of Medicaid	Staffers, Inc.	Temporary Staffing	Modification	\$529,920.00	PVL	3-208.02
8200061936	Mississippi State Department of Health	Federal Staffing Resources, LLC	Nursing Services	Novation	\$100,000.00	Novation	3-103.04
8200062593	Mississippi State Hospital	Infiniti Healthcare Services	Nursing Services	New	\$9,307.22	Multiple Contracts	7-102.01
8400001878	Mississippi Veteran's Affairs	Precision Healthcare Staffing	Nursing Services	Modification	\$0.00	Statutory Exemption	3-503.02.3(d)
8400002201	Mississippi Veteran's Affairs	Worldwide Travel Staffing	Nursing Services	New	\$1,000,000.00	Statutory Exemption	3-503.02.3(d)
8200053938	Mississippi Veteran's Affairs	Compassionate Health	Physician Services	Modification	\$0.00	Statutory Exemption	3-503.02.3(d)
8200053950	Mississippi Veteran's Affairs	Compassionate Health	Physician Services	Modification	\$36,000.00	Statutory Exemption	3-503.02.3(d)
<b>Total Reported in June 2022:</b>					<b>\$2,804,593.14</b>		

**Staff Approvals**  
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OPSCR Staff Approval Authority Granted by PPRB	
<b>Section 3-101.02(h)</b>	Contracts exempt by state statute.
<b>Section 3-101.04.3</b>	WIN contract workers when the total contract value does not exceed \$75,000. in a 12-month period.
<b>Section 3-103.04</b>	Assignment of a previously approved contract due to novation, buyout, or change of name.
<b>Section 3-208.02</b>	Contracts with vendors selected from the Preapproved Vendor List.
<b>Section 3-503.02.3(d)</b>	Mississippi Veteran's Affairs contracts for operation of state veteran's homes.
<b>Section 7-102.01</b>	Multiple small purchase contracts with the same vendor but different scopes of service.
<b>Section 7-110.01</b>	Scrivener's errors and technical issues.
<b>Section 7-110.02</b>	Modifications which reduce the dollar amount or in which services are unchanged.
<b>Section 7-110.03</b>	Modifications of up to 10% of the contract amount on previously approved unit price contracts. (Total contract amount cannot exceed \$500,000.)
<b>Section 3-102.04.1</b>	Contracts between two state agencies, both under PPRB purview. These contracts do not require PPRB approval.