



**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**  
**Department of Corrections**  
**BURL CAIN**  
**COMMISSIONER**

**TO:** Burl Cain, MDOC Commissioner  
**FROM:** Comprehensive Healthcare Procurement Evaluation Committee  
**DATE:** June 21, 2024  
**RE:** Comprehensive Healthcare Procurement Overview and Evaluation Report  
RFX: #3120002800

**Procurement Overview**

The Mississippi Department of Corrections is seeking to establish a contract for the management and delivery of a comprehensive healthcare program to all inmates in the care, custody, and control of the MDOC, including all state, private, and regional facilities.<sup>1</sup> Per the Request for Proposal, the initial contract term will be for three years with the option to renew the contract for two additional one-year renewal terms.

On November 1, 2023, MDOC received approval from the Public Procurement Review Board to issue a Request for Proposals.<sup>2</sup> This procurement was run in accordance with all state rules, regulations, and statutory requirements including but not limited to the Office of Personal Service Contract Review Rules and Regulations as promulgated by the PPRB.

**Evaluation Committee**

The evaluation committee for the solicitation signed confidentiality agreements and conflict of interest agreements and was comprised of the following members:

1. James Craig, Mississippi Department of Health (Retired)
2. Catherine Brett, Mississippi Division of Medicaid
3. John Haire, Mississippi Department of Mental Health

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<sup>1</sup> See MDOC Comprehensive Healthcare RFP No. 3120002800, Section, Introduction which can be accessed at: <https://www.mdoc.ms.gov/sites/default/files/Procurement/2023%20MDOC%20Comprehensive%20Healthcare%20Request%20for%20Proposals.pdf>,

<sup>2</sup> See Public Procurement Review Board (PPRB) Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, November 1, 2023, page 36: <https://www.dfa.ms.gov/sites/default/files/PPRB%20Home/Meeting%20Minutes/2023/11%20PPRB%20Agenda%200%26%20Minutes%2011.1.23.pdf>. See also Appendix 1, Petition for Relief.

4. Jeworski Mallett, Mississippi Department of Corrections
5. Derrick Garner, Mississippi Department of Corrections

James Craig's resume is attached to this email as Appendix 2.<sup>3</sup>

### **Procurement Process Prior to Proposal Evaluation**

MDOC issued its RFP on December 15, 2023. MDOC accepted Questions from potential offerors until March 1, 2024 and issued an amendment to the RFP providing responses to those questions. A pre-proposal conference was held on January 8, 2024,<sup>4</sup> and a subsequent Question and Answer Amendment to the RFP was released.<sup>5</sup>

Proposals were received from three Offerors:

1. Wexford Health Sources (Wexford)
2. Centurion of Mississippi (Centurion)
3. VitalCore Health Strategies (VitalCore)

As stated in the RFP, the Proposal submission deadline was March 1, 2024, 4:00 p.m. for delivery to the Mississippi Department of Corrections, 301 N. Lamar Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39201. Proposals were opened March 4, 2024, a Register of Proposals was created,<sup>6</sup> and the process to review the proposals for identifying information started immediately.

### **Evaluation of Proposals**

All Proposals were evaluated using the process described in the Request for Proposals in Section 6: Evaluation Process. The register of proposals is included as an Appendix 3 to this report.

#### **Stage 1: Mandatory Factors**

In this stage, the independent facilitators<sup>7</sup> reviewed the mandatory factors and determined that each proposal met all the mandatory requirements of the RFP.

#### **Stage 2: Determination that Offerors were Responsive and Responsible**

In this stage, each Proposal was reviewed to determine whether it was responsive, complete, and compliant with the instructions to Offerors in the RFP and to determine whether any identifying

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<sup>3</sup> Because James Craig is not currently employed by the State of Mississippi,

<sup>4</sup> See Amendment 4, Transcript of Pre-Proposal Conference, which can be accessed at: <https://www.mdoc.ms.gov/sites/default/files/Procurement/Amendment%206%20Pre-Proposal%20Conference%20Transcript.pdf>

<sup>5</sup> See Amendment 5, which can be accessed at: <https://www.mdoc.ms.gov/sites/default/files/Procurement/MDOC%20RFP%20-%20RFP%20Questions%20and%20Answers.pdf>

<sup>6</sup> The Register of Proposals is included in Appendix 3.

<sup>7</sup> The Mandatory Factors were reviewed by MDOC attorneys Courtney E. Cockrell, Steven Wansley, and Special Assistant Attorney General Suzanne Hudson.

information needed to be redacted from the submitted proposals.<sup>8,9</sup> As stated in the RFP, MDOC reserved the right to waive minor variances or reject any or all proposals.<sup>10</sup> All Proposals were in compliance as submitted and proceeded to the next phase of the evaluation process.

### **Stage 3: Evaluation of Technical and Management Factors**

In preparation for consensus scoring, the Evaluation Committee members individually reviewed each Offeror's proposal to determine if the Offeror sufficiently addressed all of the RFP requirements and that each Offeror developed a specific approach to meeting each requirement.

The Evaluation Committee had three consensus scoring sessions, wherein they evaluated the Technical and Management factors – both of which were required to be submitted without identifying information for “blind scoring.”

Independent facilitators were used to conduct the consensus scoring meetings.<sup>11</sup> After each consensus scoring session was completed, the Technical and Management Factor proposal scores were locked and could not be changed by the Evaluation Committee.

### **Stage 4: Evaluation of Cost Factors**

Independent facilitators<sup>12</sup> evaluated the cost factors using a formula which resulted in objective distribution of points based only on the price submitted in response to the RFP.

### **Stage 5: Selection**

After the Evaluation Committee completed the evaluation and the independent facilitators determined the amount of points to award for each vendor's Cost factors.

This recommendation is now submitted to the Executive Director of MDOC. As stated in the Section 6.7.2 of the RFP, the MDOC will make the final decision regarding the winning proposals. The Legal Department, Office of Procurement, its designees, and the Evaluation Committee will provide any further information as needed to the Executive Director in making the final selection.

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<sup>8</sup> Review was conducted by Attorney Anne Hill and other attorneys with Butler Snow LLP.

<sup>9</sup> For more information about identifying information, *see* PPRB Rule 3-203.12 and Miss. Code Ann. § 31-7-417. MDOC also applied the standard for identifying information as defined in RFP No. 3120002800, Section 5.2.2: <https://www.mdoc.ms.gov/sites/default/files/Procurement/2023%20MDOC%20Comprehensive%20Healthcare%20Request%20for%20Proposals.pdf>.

<sup>10</sup> *See* MDOC Comprehensive Healthcare RFP No. 3120002800, Section 6.2, Technical Nonconforming Proposals: <https://www.mdoc.ms.gov/sites/default/files/Procurement/2023%20MDOC%20Comprehensive%20Healthcare%20Request%20for%20Proposals.pdf>.

<sup>11</sup> Technical and Management Consensus Scoring was conducted by Facilitator, Courtney E. Cockrell, Deputy General Counsel for the Mississippi Department of Corrections, Steven Wansley, Senior Attorney for the Mississippi Department of Corrections, and Special Assistant Attorney General Suzanne Hudson.

<sup>12</sup> Cost evaluation was conducted by Facilitator, Courtney E. Cockrell, Deputy General Counsel for the Mississippi Department of Corrections, Steven Wansley, Senior Attorney for the Mississippi Department of Corrections, and Suzanne Hudson, Special Assistant Attorney General.

**Evaluation Committee Rankings and Scores**

Following the completion of the evaluation process, scores and rankings based on the overall score of Proposals are as follows:

Offeror	Overall		Technical 3600 points		Management 3600 points		Cost 4800 points	
	Score	Rank	Score	Rank	Score	Rank	Score	Rank
<b>VitalCore</b>	11,134	1	2734	3	3600	1	4800	1
<b>Wexford</b>	10,699	2	3600	1	3055	3	4044	2
<b>Centurion</b>	9,044	3	2754	2	3100	2	3190	3

**Recommendation**

The Evaluation Committee recommends that the Executive Director award the contract based on the Overall Rankings stated above. The Evaluation Committee, utilizing the process described herein, ranked *VitalCore Health Strategies* as the top Offeror based on the Technical, Management, and Cost factors.

**APPROVED:**

*/s/Burl Cain*

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BURL CAIN, COMMISSIONER  
MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

DATE: June 21, 2024



**Petition for Relief from Competitive Sealed Bidding Requirements**

Miss. Code Ann. § 31-7-403 and § 31-7-413

PPRB OPSCR Rules and Regulations Sections 3-201, 3-203.01(g)(2), and 7-103

**Agency:** The Mississippi Department of Corrections (MDOC)

**Requested Date for PPRB Approval:** November 1, 2023

**Procurement Method Requested:** Request for Proposals (RFP)

**Intended Initial Contract Term:** Three (3) Years

**Intended Renewal Terms Available:** Two (2) additional one (1) year terms

**Number of Contracts Intended to be Awarded:** One (1)

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**The Agency intends to solicit the following service(s) and/or scope of work:**

The MDOC intends to solicit proposals for the delivery and management of a comprehensive correctional healthcare program for all inmates in its custody. The State seeks to expand access to critical resources requested in the RFP, including, but not limited to: access to healthcare professionals, specialty providers, in-patient hospital care, pharmacy networks, and special discounted rates. The scope of service set forth in the RFP encompasses a full spectrum of services, including: dental; pharmacy; medical; mental health; institutional staffing and management; utilization and claims management; management of healthcare records; chronic care; access to community provider networks; ambulance services; medical supplies/equipment; medical biohazard waste removal; and diagnostic services and procedures, both on-site and in community

As explained below, use of an Invitation for Bids is:  not practicable  
 not advantageous  
 both

An Invitation for Bids to procure comprehensive correctional healthcare services is impracticable and contrary to long standing practices in Mississippi. Given the reality of provision of healthcare to a needy population, a fixed price contract is not feasible. Discussions with offerors provide an opportunity to evaluate and modify the scope of services requested and the associated cost. The MDOC requires flexibility in selecting the appropriate offeror to provide comprehensive correctional healthcare services to the inmates incarcerated within its facilities. Price is not the key consideration. Instead, the MDOC needs an offeror who will meet the specilized needs of the MDOC's inmate population.

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**The Agency intends to use the following Evaluation Factors:**

Technical: 30%  
Management: 30%  
Price: 40%

Is the Agency requesting to score Cost openly? Yes  No

If yes, please provide an explanation:

Are these services currently being provided to the Agency? Yes  No

If yes, who is currently providing the services?

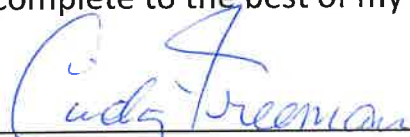
VitalCore Health Strategies

Agency Representative for PPRB Meeting: Courtney E. Cockrell, Dep. General Counsel

The Agency Representative will attend: In Person  Remote

\*The option to attend remotely is not available to Agencies located in Hinds, Rankin, or Madison counties.

By signing below, I certify that all information provided herein is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge.



10/04/2023

**Chief Procurement Officer**

**Date**

Chief Procurement Officer Name: Cindy Freeman

Telephone Number: 601-359-5250 Email Address: cfreeman@mdoc.state.ms.us

*The PPRB may modify or revoke its approval of the Petition for Relief at any time. The Board's approval must be "reviewed for current applicability from time to time." Miss. Code Ann. §31-7-403(4). Therefore, a solicitation cannot be issued from this Petition for Relief if the Board's approval occurred more than one year prior to the date the solicitation will be issued.*

**James (Jim) H. Craig, III**

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Brookhaven, MS 39601  
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Jim.Craig.iii@gmail.com

**Employment History**

7/1/2023 Retired from Mississippi State Department of Health, Jackson, Mississippi.

2022- 7/1/2023 **Senior Deputy**  
Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH), Jackson, Mississippi.  
  
Chief Operating Officer managing day-to-day operations of a large state agency and providing strategic advice. MSDH administers more than 200 programs, providing a broad range of services. In addition, work closely with the state legislature on public health policies and coordinates constituent services. Moreover, duties included encouraging and stimulating quality and performance improvement throughout the agency, promoting enhanced relationships with Mississippi’s communities and with other organizations, and increased cooperation and collaboration with other state agencies and organizations.

**Chairman of the Local Governments Rural Water Systems Improvement Board.** The chairman provides oversight to the State Revolving Fund for low interest loans made to public water systems and provide technical assistance to further develop water systems in the state. Since the Program’s inception 387 drinking water improvement loans totaling \$571.1 million have been awarded.

**Emergency Coordinating Officer** for the Mississippi State Department of Health assigned to the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency to coordinate the ESF-8 (Emergency Support Function 8 – Health and Medical) response under the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan of Mississippi.

2019 – 2022 **Senior Deputy and Director of the Office of Health Protection,**  
Mississippi State Department of Health, Jackson, Mississippi.

Senior Deputy to Thomas Dobbs, MD, MPH, State Health Officer and beginning August of 2022, Daniel Edney, MD, FACP, FASAM, State Health Officer. In addition to the duties listed below for the Director of Health Protection, this position assists in the oversight of agency operations and works closely with the state legislature on health and safety policies. Moreover, an agencywide office, the Office of Performance



Improvement, reports to the Office of Health Protection providing agency wide support for strategic planning, quality improvement, performance measurement and public health accreditation.

**Chairman of the Local Governments Rural Water Systems Improvement Board.** The chairman provides oversight to the State Revolving Fund for low interest loans made to public water systems and provide technical assistance to further develop water systems in the state.

**Emergency Coordinating Officer** for the Mississippi State Department of Health assigned to the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency to coordinate the ESF-8 (Emergency Support Function 8 – Health and Medical) response under the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan of Mississippi.

2004 – 2019

**Director of the Office of Health Protection** at the Mississippi State Department of Health in Jackson, Mississippi.

The Office of Health Protection contains 68 programs that are designed to fulfill a portion of the Mississippi State Department of Health’s mission to *Promote and Protect the Health of all Mississippians*. Three major offices report to the Office of Health Protection – Office of Environmental Health, Office of Licensure and the Office of Emergency Planning and Response.

The Office of Environmental Health protects the health of Mississippians through regulation of environmental factors that can spread disease. Areas of concern include food service and processing establishments, milk and dairy products and distribution systems, the public water supply, onsite wastewater disposal systems, boiler and pressure vessel safety, institutional sanitary inspection, and radon mitigation.

The Office of Licensure protects the health of Mississippians by assuring that designated health care facilities, child care facilities and certain types of practitioners meet minimum standards and comply with state and federal laws and regulations including background checks on persons working in health care or child care settings.

The Office of Emergency Planning and Response protects the health of Mississippians by ensuring readiness for any public health threat or emergency at the state and local/regional levels. The Office is structured in a NIMS compliant fashion with Bureaus of Operations, Planning, Logistics and Finance. The Office also includes the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma System Development and the Division of Radiological Health.

**Chairman of the Local Governments Rural Water Systems Improvement Board.** The chairman provides oversight to the State Revolving Fund for low interest loans made to public water systems and provide technical assistance to further develop water systems in the state.

**Emergency Coordinating Officer** for the Mississippi State Department of Health assigned to the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency to coordinate the ESF-8 (Emergency Support Function 8 – Health and Medical) response under the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan of Mississippi.

2003 – 2004

**Director of the Office of Emergency Planning and Response,** Mississippi State Department of Health, Jackson, Mississippi.

The Office of Emergency Planning and Response was created at the Mississippi State Department of Health in 2003. Served as the first director of the new office. The Office has two major bureaus and one division. The Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma System Development, Bureau of Emergency Preparedness and Planning and the Division of Radiological Health.

The Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) licenses all ambulance services in Mississippi; inspects and permits ambulances; certifies EMS drivers, tests and certifies medical first responders and emergency medical technicians, including EMT's on the basic and paramedic levels; authorizes advanced life support and other training programs; manages a statewide EMS information system; and administers the EMS Operating Fund.

The Bureau of Emergency Preparedness and Planning has oversight for emergency response related to natural and man-made disasters including terrorism or mass casualty events. The program provides technical assistance, training and exercise to ensure the response capabilities for regional, district, and local response teams as well as the Governor's State Emergency Response Team.

The Division of Radiological Health is designed to identify sources of radiation exposure, understand the biological effects of radiation, investigate and evaluate exposures, and formulate and apply regulations for the control and reduction of exposure. Through comprehensive monitoring and surveillance, the program determines levels of radioactivity present in the environment. Staff annually collect and analyze approximately 2,300 samples, including water, soil, meat, air and vegetation, as well as direct measurements to record radiation levels in the environment. Each person licensed to possess and use radioactive materials or registered to operate x-ray devices is evaluated to ensure

the protection of citizens and the environment. Staff provided the State Radiological Response Team to respond to radiological emergencies.

**Emergency Coordinating Officer** for the Mississippi State Department of Health assigned to the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency to coordinate the ESF-8 (Emergency Support Function 8 – Health and Medical) response under the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan of Mississippi.

2001 – 2003

**Director of the Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (EMS)**, Mississippi State Department of Health, Jackson, Mississippi

As only the second director of EMS in the state elevated the Division of EMS to the Bureau of EMS. The Bureau has two Divisions, the Division of Licensure and Certification and the Division of Trauma System Development and Injury Control.

The Bureau is responsible for the development and maintenance of Mississippi's pre-hospital response system. This includes the regulation of all ambulance services, certification and training of all EMS Drivers and Emergency Medical Technicians, coordination of EMS communications systems, administration of the EMS Operating Fund, and serving as the lead agency for Trauma System development.

**Emergency Coordinating Officer** for the Mississippi State Department of Health assigned to the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency to coordinate the ESF-8 (Emergency Support Function 8 – Health and Medical) response under the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan of Mississippi.

1999 – 2003

**Chairman of the Board** for the Mississippi Fire Personnel Minimum Standards and Certification Board, Mississippi Department of Insurance, Jackson, Mississippi

1995 – 2001

**Senior Systems Administrator** managing the Mississippi Emergency Medical Services Information System and the EMS Operating Fund in the Division of Emergency Medical Services at the Mississippi State Department of Health, Jackson, Mississippi

1993 – 1995

Statewide **Inspector/Investigator for Advanced Life Support EMS Services and Air Ambulance Inspections** in the Division of Emergency Medical Services at the Mississippi State Department of Health, Jackson, Mississippi

1990 – 1993

**Emergency Medical Services Specialist** at the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Emergency Medical

Services, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

## **Education**

Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi  
Master of Public Health, Health Policy and Management, 2017

Radiological Emergency Preparedness Executive Education Program  
Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA, 2014

University of Southwest Louisiana, Lafayette, Louisiana  
Bachelor's, Industrial Technology/Occupational Safety, 1990

Louisiana State University – Eunice, Louisiana  
Associates in Applied Sciences, Forensic Sciences, 1989

## **Certifications**

Certified Healthcare Safety Professional  
International Board for Certification of Safety Managers, 2013

Certified Healthcare Emergency Professional  
International Board for Certification of Safety Managers, 2012

Meta-Leader Certified, US Veterans Health Administration, Office of  
Public Health and Environmental Hazards, 2009

Certified Public Manager  
National Certified Public Managers Consortium, 2006

US Department of Homeland Security – WMD Hazmat Technician  
(COBRA) (Instructor), 2003

Certified Supervisory Manager (CSM), 2002

CLEAR Certified Investigator/Inspector, 1995

Nationally Registered Emergency Medical Technician, 1984

## **Honors**

Received the Randy Caperton Public Health Administrator of the Year  
Award in 2013 from the Mississippi Public Health Association.

Received the Felix J. Underwood Award for Dedication in Protecting the  
Health of Mississippians in 2023 from the Mississippi Public Health  
Association.

## Publications

Publication, Craig, Jim, MPH; Wilson, Jonathan A., PhD, MSN, RN; Byers, Paul, MD; Dobbs, Thomas, MD; McKenzie, L. Kendall, MD, *Mississippi's System of Care Approach to COVID-19*. 2022

Publication, Wilson, Jonathan A., MSN, RN, CEN, CHEP; McKenzie, L. Kendall, MD; McLeod, W. Terry, BSN, RN, CHEP; Darsey, Damon A., MD, EMT-P; Craig, Jim, CPM, CHEP, CHSP, *Improving Disaster Response Efforts through the Development of a Civilian Disaster Healthcare Response System*. 2016

Publication, Kearns, Randy D.; Black, Paul S.; Winslow, James E.; Craig, Jim; Stringer, Lew; Godette-Crawford, Regina; Andra, David, *Relying on a Mobile Hospital as a Business Continuity Strategy in the Aftermath of a Tornado: The Louisville, Mississippi Experience and the National Mobile Disaster Hospital*. 2016.

Poster at the Public Health Preparedness Summit. 2014. *Assessment of Public Health Preparedness and Healthcare Capabilities: Analyzing Corrective Actions to Identify PHEP and HPP Priorities*. Atlanta, GA. McCormick, Lisa C.; Wilson, Jonathan A.; Linn, Elena; McLeod, W. Terry; Craig, Jim.

Poster at the Public Health Preparedness Summit 2015. *Mississippi Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) Volunteers Willingness, Attitudes, and Knowledge to Respond to Public Health Crises*. Atlanta, GA. Lisa McCormick, DrPH; Jesse Pevear III, MSPH; Laveta Moody-Thomas, MPH, MSW; W. Terry McLeod, RN, BSN, CHEP; Jonathan Wilson, RN, MSN, CEN, CHEP; Jim Craig, CPM, CHEP, CHSP

Presenter at the Mississippi Public Health Association 83<sup>rd</sup> Annual Public Health Conference 2020. Workshop: *Facing the Challenges: Public Health Responds to COVID-19, Hurricanes, and Other Emergencies*

Presenter at the Public Health Preparedness Summit 2015. Town Hall Session: *Advancing a vision of healthier, more sustainable and resilient post-disaster communities: Opportunities and challenges in disaster recovery*. Autumn Downey, PhD, Institute of Medicine; Natalie Grant, Acting Director, Recovery Division, Office of Emergency Management, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Charlotte Parent, Director of New Orleans Department of Public Health; Carina Elsenboss, Preparedness Director, Seattle & King County, Jim Craig, Director of Health Protecting, Mississippi State Department of Health. Atlanta, GA.

Presenter at the Public Health Preparedness Summit 2015. *Strengthening Readiness and Resiliency Through the National Health Security*

*Preparedness Index*. Alonzo Plough, PhD, MPH, Vice President and Chief Science Officer, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation; Cathy Slemple, MD, MPH, Public Health Consulting, Health Policy and Practice; Anna Hoover, Program Management Office, University of Kentucky; Jim Craig, Director of Health Protection, Mississippi State Department of Health. Atlanta, GA.

Presenter at Jackson State University, School of Public Health, Future Research Collaborations Symposium, June 2016.

Reviewer, IOM (Institute of Medicine). 2016. *Healthy, Resilient, and Sustainable Communities after Disasters: Discussion Toolkit*. Washington DC: The National Academies Press.

Reviewer, IOM. 2015. *Post-Disaster Recovery of a Community's Public Health, Medical and Social Services*. Washington DC: The National Academies Press.

Reviewer, IOM. 2012. *Long-Term Recovery of the Healthcare Service Delivery Infrastructure: workshop summary*. Washington DC: The National Academies Press.

Reviewer, IOM. 2012. *Post-incident recovery considerations of the health care service delivery infrastructure: Workshop summary*. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press.

## Emergency Responses

- 2023
  - COVID-19 Pandemic, Mississippi Deputy Incident Commander/ ESF-8 Emergency Coordinating Officer (ECO)/Incident Manager Public Health Command and Coordination Center (PHCC)
  - Jackson Water Crisis, Mississippi Incident Commander
  - EVD (Ebola Viral Disease) Planning and Response, Operations Chief
- 2022
  - COVID-19 Pandemic, Mississippi Deputy Incident Commander/ ESF-8 Emergency Coordinating Officer (ECO)/Incident Manager Public Health Command and Coordination Center (PHCC)
  - Jackson Water Crisis, Mississippi Incident Commander
  - Monkeypox Planning and Response, Deputy Incident Manager
  - EVD (Ebola Viral Disease) Planning and Response, Operations Chief
- 2021

- COVID-19 Pandemic, Mississippi Deputy Incident Commander/ ESF-8 Emergency Coordinating Officer (ECO)/Incident Manager Public Health Command and Coordination Center (PHCC)
    - Hurricane Ida, ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC, Recovery Support Function Health and Safety – State Lead
  - 2020
    - COVID-19 Pandemic, Mississippi Deputy Incident Commander/ ESF-8 Emergency Coordinating Officer (ECO)/Incident Manager Public Health Command and Coordination Center (PHCC)
    - Hurricane Sally, ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC, Recovery Support Function Health and Safety – State Lead
    - Hurricane Marco/TS Laura, ESF-9 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC
  - 2018
    - Hurricane Michael EMAC to Florida - ESF-8 Emergency Coordinating Officer (ECO)/Incident Manager Public Health Command and Coordination Center (PHCC)
    - Hurricane Florence EMAC to North Carolina - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC
    - Tropical Storm Gordon - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC, Recovery Support Function Health and Service – State Lead
    - Deployed under EMAC to USVI to restore health care facilities to St. Croix, St. John, and St. Thomas
  - 2017
    - Hurricane Nate - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC, Recovery Support Function Health and Service – State Lead
    - NDMS Hurricanes Irma-Maria, State Incident Manager, ESF-8 ECO, State Lead
    - Hurricane Irma – EMAC to Florida, ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC
    - NDMS Hurricane Harvey – State Incident Manager, ESF-8 ECO, State Lead
    - USMC Crash Response - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC, Recovery Support Function Health and Service – State Lead
    - Vicksburg Public Drinking Water Event - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC, Recovery Support Function Health and Service – State Lead
    - Severe Weather Event - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC, Recovery Support Function Health and Service – State Lead
    - Hattiesburg Tornado - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC, Recovery Support Function Health and Service – State Lead
  - 2016
    - Zika Response – Planning Chief
    - March Flood Event - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC, Recovery Support Function Health and Service – State Lead
    - Severe Weather Response - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC, Recovery Support Function Health and Service – State Lead

- 2016 Dixie National Rodeo - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC, Recovery Support Function Health and Service – State Lead
  - Severe Weather Event – Feb. - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC, Recovery Support Function Health and Service – State Lead
- 2015
  - Ebola Virus Disease Response – Planning Chief
  - Columbia Tornado - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC, Recovery Support Function Health and Service – State Lead
- 2014
  - Columbia Tornado – ESF-8 Emergency Coordinating Officer (ECO)/Incident Manager Public Health Coordination/Command Center (PHCC)
  - Ebola Virus Disease Response – Deputy Incident Manager
  - Louisville Tornado – ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC, Recovery Support Function Health and Service – State Lead
  - Winter Storm Leon – ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC
  - January Winter Storm Event - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC
  - February Winter Storm Event - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC
- 2013
  - Winter Storm Cleon – ESF-8 Emergency Coordinating Officer/Incident Manager PHCC
  - Tropical Storm Karen – ESF-8 Emergency Coordinating Officer/Incident Manager PHCC
- 2012
  - Hurricane Sandy – ESF-8 Emergency Coordinating Officer for deployment of Incident Management Team One to Middlesex County, New Jersey under Emergency Management Assistance Compact
  - Hurricane Isaac – ESF-8 Emergency Coordinating Officer (ECO)/Incident Manager – PHCC
- 2011
  - 2011 Historic Flood Event – ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC
  - Yazoo Tornado – ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC
  - Smithville Tornado – Health Care System Recovery Coordinator – City of Smithville
  - Historic Flood – ESF-8 ECO/Incident Manager PHCC
- 2010
  - BP Gulf Coast Oil Spill – State on Scene Coordinator – MS
  - Health Care System Recovery Coordinator for Oil Spill
  - Jackson Water Crisis – Incident Manager PHCC
  - Yazoo Tornado – ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander PHCC
  - Kentucky Flood Response – Incident Manager PHCC is support of EMAC deployed Environmental Health Strike Teams
- 2009
  - 2009 H1N1 Swine Flu Pandemic – Planning Chief Departmental Emergency Operations Center (DEOC)
  - Tropical Storm Claudette – ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC



- Hurricane Ida - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
- Jackson Water Crisis – Incident Commander DEOC
- Severe Winter Weather - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
- Kentucky Ice Storm Response – Incident Manager DEOC in support of EMAC deployed Environmental Health Strike Teams
- 2008
  - Tropical Storm Edouard - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
  - Tropical Storm Fay - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
  - Hurricane Gustav - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
  - Emergystat Ambulance Crisis – Incident Commander DEOC
- 2007
  - Hurricane Humberto - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
  - Tropical Depression 10 – ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
- 2006
  - Tropical Storm Alberto - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
- 2005
  - Tropical Storm Arlene - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
  - Hurricane Cindy - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
  - Hurricane Dennis - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
  - Hurricane Katrina – (one of the most devastating hurricanes in the history of the US) – ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
  - Health Care System Recovery Officer for Hurricane Katrina in Mississippi
  - Hurricane Rita - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
- 2004
  - Tropical Storm Bonnie - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
  - Hurricane Charley - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
  - Hurricane Frances - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
  - Hurricane Ivan - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
  - Tropical Storm Matthew - ESF-8 ECO/Incident Commander DEOC
  - Chiron Flu Vaccine Shortage/Mass Vaccination Coordination – Incident Commander DEOC

### **National Responsibilities**

Past Chairman, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) Directors of Public Health Preparedness Executive Committee

Past Member, Steering Committee, National Health Security Preparedness Index Project

Former Member, (ASTHO) Preparedness Policy Committee

### **Regional Responsibilities**

Past Member, Executive Committee, Southeast Pediatric Disaster Surge Network

Past Member, Executive Committee, Region IV Unified Planning Coalition

### **Mississippi Responsibilities**

Former Principle Investigator - Public Health Emergency Preparedness Cooperative Agreement

Former Principle Investigator – Hospital Preparedness Cooperative Agreement

Former Principle Investigator – Public Health Infrastructure Cooperative Agreement

Former Principle Investigator – Strengthening U.S. Public Health Infrastructure, Workforce, and Data Systems Cooperative Agreement

Past Chairman, Local Governments and Rural Water Systems Improvements Board (LGRWSIB)

Commissioner, Southeast Interstate Low-Level Radioactive Waste Management Commission (Gubernatorial Appointment)

Past Chairman, Mississippi State Department of Health Quality Council

Vice-Chairman and Commissioner, Mississippi Wireless Commission

Former Member, MSDH Information Security Management Council

Former Member, MSDH Data Governance Management Council

Former Member, Mississippi Rural Hospital Loan Program Advisory Committee

Former Member, MSDH Information Technology Incident Response Team

Former Task Force Member, Mississippi Stroke and Heart Task Force

Former Member, Advisory and Executive Committee, South Central Public Health Partnership

Former Member, Mississippi Hospital Association Systems of Care Committee

Member, Mississippi Public Health Association

Member, Community Advisory Board, Jackson State University School of Public Health

Member, Mississippi Emergency Medical Technicians Association (MEMTA)

Former Member, Mississippi State Response Team

Member, Mississippi Healthcare Alliance, STEMI section

Member, Mississippi Healthcare Alliance, Stroke section

Former Member, Alternate Designee, Environmental Quality Permit Board

Former Member, Senior Advisory Committee (Homeland Security Council)

Former Member, Department of Justice Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council (ATAC)

Former 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate, Governor's Mitigation Project Review Committee

Former Member, Mississippi Governance Board for Mississippi Statewide Credentialing/Access Program

Former Member, Senior Executive Advisory Committee for Public Health Accreditation for the Mississippi State Department of Health

Adjunct Instructor, Jackson State University School of Public Health teaching courses in Health Care Administration.

**MDOC Comprehensive Healthcare  
Request for Proposals**

Mississippi Department of Corrections  
RFx# 3120002800

Solicitation Issued 12/15/2023  
Responses Due 3/1/2024 at 4:00 pm

**REGISTER OF PROPOSALS  
Comprehensive Correctional Healthcare Services**

<b>Name of Offeror</b>	<b>Date Submitted</b>	<b>Time Submitted</b>	<b>Identifier</b>
<b>Centurion</b>	<b>Mail - 2/29/24</b>	<b>11:05 am</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>Wexford Health Services, Inc.</b>	<b>Mail – 3/1/24</b>	<b>8:10 am</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>VitalCore</b>	<b>Hand Delivered - 3/1/24</b>	<b>3:50 pm</b>	<b>C</b>

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