ADDENDUM 1 October 13, 2011

Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange Legal Services RFP Questions & Responses

Question

I have a question related to the referenced RFP. Are law firms disqualified or otherwise disadvantaged in the selection process if they have clients which are 1) health care providers (e.g. hospitals, physician groups, etc.), or 2) health insurance carriers, brokers or other health insurance industry professionals?

Response

Public Act 11-53 prohibits members of the Board of Directors and staff of the Exchange from active relationships, including consulting, serving on the board of, affiliated with or serving as a representative of (i) an insurer, (ii) an insurance producer or broker, (iii) a health care provider, or (iv) a health care facility or clinic. Based upon the scope of services and the role of counsel in advising the Board of Directors of the Exchange in order to establish its operational platform, law firms who are actively representing any of the above type of entities in matters that would intersect with the business of the Exchange as defined by Public Act 11-53 may be disqualified.

If the law firm is representing one of the above type of entities for isolated matters unrelated to such business, e.g. an employee termination, any law firm responding to the RFP should explain the nature of such representation to the extent permitted.

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