



**STATE OF ARKANSAS**

**ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (ADH)**

**REQUEST FOR APPLICATION**

**RFA-13-0011**

**For**

**Arkansas Stroke Registry (ASR)  
Existing Members or  
New Members**

**STROKE LICENSE  
SOFTWARE**

**Date Issued:**

March 6,  
2013

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## A. Schedule of Events

Event	Date
Request for Application (RFA) Issued: <i>Note that applications will be accepted between March 6, 2013 – April 3, 2013 at 3 p.m.</i>	March 6, 2013
Due date for RFA applications to be received via hard copy by the ADH Issuing Officer	3:00 p.m. on April 3, 2013
Anticipated date for completion of application reviews, recipient selection and award notices mailed	April 10, 2013

## B. Purpose

The purpose of this Request for Application (RFA) is to recruit and encourage ongoing participation in the American Heart Association's *Get With The Guidelines*®-Stroke Patient Management Tool (GWTG-SPMT). The GWTG-SPMT enables participation in the Arkansas Stroke Registry (ASR) by allowing for stroke patient data to be collected and analyzed. If the applicant is an existing member of the Arkansas Stroke Registry (defined as having a Participating Hospital Agreement in place), the current licensing fee will be reimbursed. If the applicant is newly joining the Arkansas Stroke Registry, the license will cover 12 months from the date the new Participating Hospital Agreement is signed.

## C. Benefits of Participation

Benefits hospitals receive from participating in the ASR include the following:

- **Optimize stroke patient care** by tracking and improving key performance measures over time
- **Gain onsite quality support** provided by an Arkansas Department of Health (ADH) stroke registry nurse
- **Access real-time data** on your stroke patients to support quality improvement initiatives
- **No cost for technical assistance** and free data abstraction support (as available)
- **Join workshops led by stroke experts** aimed at maximizing your patient care
- **Utilize evidence-based best practices** in stroke care from other hospitals and EMS nationwide
- **Benchmark on your performance measures** to hospitals of your size (aggregate)
- **Receive national recognition** and quality awards from the American Heart Association
- **Prepare for Joint Commission Certification** by participating in a stroke registry
- **Improve documentation of patient care** to minimize medical errors

## D. Contractor Requirement

The contractor is to authorize a Coverdell Participating Hospital Agreement before receiving reimbursement for the cost of the GWTG-SPMT. This is a standard data usage agreement that lists the data elements to be collected in the ASR.

## **E. Issuing Officer**

This RFA is issued by the ADH Issuing Officer. Although communications regarding protests are permitted in accordance with Arkansas Code Annotated (ACA) §19-11-244, from the issue date of this RFA until a successful applicant is selected and announced, applicant shall limit all other communications with any state staff about this or a related procurement to the ADH Issuing Officer. All questions and requests for clarification should be addressed to the following Issuing Officer:

Tim Smith, CPPB #RFA-13-0011  
Procurement Branch Chief  
Arkansas Department of Health  
4815 West Markham, Slot 58  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72205  
Phone: 501-280-4573  
Email: timothy.w.smith@arkansas.gov

## **F. Ineligible Applicants**

If the applicant received an award from the RFA released July 11, 2012 (RFA-12 0011), the applicant is not eligible to apply for this RFA.

## **G. Applicants are required to complete:**

Appendix 1

*Note: Appendix 1 is to be no more than one (1) page in length.*

## **H. Where to Mail or Deliver Applications**

Application must be clearly marked on the outside of the package with **RFA-13-0011** and mailed to the following address:

Arkansas Department of Health (**RFA-13-0011**)  
Procurement Branch  
Attention: Tim Smith, CPPB  
4815 W. Markham St. Slot 58  
Little Rock, AR 72205 -3867

For applications to be hand delivered use the following address:

Tim Smith, CPPB (**RFA-13-0011**)  
Procurement Branch  
4815 West Markham Street, Room L163  
Little Rock, AR 72205

**I. Number of Copies and Application Format**

Applicants must provide an ink-signed original.

**J. Evaluation and Scoring**

Application will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Funding for this RFA is limited.

**J. Type of Award/Reimbursement**

Once awarded, hospitals will receive reimbursement after paying the cost of the GWTG-SPMT to Outcome Sciences, Inc. and submitting a copy of the Outcome Science, Inc. invoice and the Arkansas Department of Health Sub-grantee Payment Request Form. The cost is \$1,899 for non-critical access hospitals and \$744 for critical-access hospitals.

## Appendix 1: Application Form

LEGAL APPLICATION					
Name of Hospital					
Address					
City					
State		Zip		County	

PROJECT MANAGER								
Name				Title				
E-mail				Department				
Phone				Fax				
Signature						Date		

FIDUCIARY AGENT								
Name				Title				
E-mail				Department				
Phone				Fax				
Signature						Date		

- (1) Are you a critical access site? Circle **Yes** or **No**
- (2) What is your site's tax ID number? \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) What is your site's business type? Circle **Governmental Agency** or **Non-Profit** or **Profit**
- (4) What is your site's fiscal year start date? \_\_\_\_\_
- (5) What is your site's fiscal year end date? \_\_\_\_\_
- (6) What is your site's estimated number of ischemic stroke cases the last 12 months? \_\_\_\_\_

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Authorized Signature (Ink)

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Title