Q. Section 5.3, page 38 – Should this read two Gamma Detectors, instead of Gamma Cameras?
A. Yes, two Gamma Detectors.

Q. The RFP requested 40 hours of System Training Application. This may not be enough. How may we provide additional hours of support?
A. Respond with the pricing for the 40 hours, as requested in the RFP, and provide any additional training hours you recommend in a tiered format.

Q. Does everyone use Med Rad injectors?
A. A Med Rad injector is acceptable. Currently our MR is a floor mounted injector and the CT is a ceiling mounted injector.

Q. How do you want us to title the proposal? To UTHSCSA or MARC?
A. Please use the name UT Health Science Center San Antonio – Medical Arts Research Center (MARC).

Q. What is the timeline for award to install?
A. Many factors. We want everything a quick as possible.
Facilities Management – Once vendor is selected, maybe 3-4 months depending on the specific requirements. Approx. 9 months to one year to install.

Q. Will there be presentations requested of the proposers?
A. As needed after evaluation of the initial RFP responses.

Q. Is the plan to issue both Purchase Orders at the same time?
A. Yes. We would like to get this done as quickly as possible. Our plan is to have both Purchase Orders issued before the end of our Fiscal Year.

Q. May we manipulate the floor plan a little bit to get both systems in?
A. Included in the RFP - our thoughts concerning a floorplan. We also included a perimeter boundary. Do not expand beyond these walls. You are welcome to suggest a best practice plan. There is a bathroom in place. If you wish to move, it will increase construction costs. We want to keep the entrance in from the patient area the same, and the back hallway.

Note: Mary Lou Jew: Please note, we want to use the CT scan as back up to our current CT scanner in case it goes down. Therefore we must have 16 slice capability for basic scans.

Q. Regarding the current Cardiac Imagenow on PET. What is the preferred software?
A. The preferred is Cedar Sanai software.
Q. Will you please clarify Unit Pricing columns?
A. Quantity x Unit = Extension. If rows are added and multiple quantities are entered, extend out the calculation.

Q. How can we communicate pricing? (% vs. $)
A. Please provide pricing and the discount proposing, in a basic format that will be easy to understand. Make sure to separate the pricing for the “Required Options”; and the “Vendor Proposed Option”.

Q. Is there a set # of Injection rooms?
A. There are four on the drawing, and we hope to not have less than three.

Q. Are delivery hours for installation restricted?
A. We will make arrangements with the successful vendor for the delivery, to be scheduled during non-patient hours.

Q. What is the size of the freight elevator?
A. The elevator door is 4'-0" wide x 7'-0" tall. The cab is 5'-2" wide x 8'-6" deep (front to back) x 7'-4" tall. The elevator is capable of conveying more than 5,000 lbs. to assist with equipment deliveries. Maximum load is dependent upon the physical size of the item needing to be transported. Please specify the weight and the physical dimensions of the largest and heaviest component. The selected vendor will be required to work with UTHSCSA FM staff to ensure weight is properly distributed as the equipment is moved into and out of the elevator and while physically within the elevator. Coordination for weekend delivery of components will be required.

Q: In reference to 4D, the request for respiratory CT and PET gating is listed in the RFP. Is cardiac PET gating a feature that should be included as well?
A: Yes, cardiac PET gating should be included

Q: The assumption is that cardiac CT gating would not be a requirement since the CT slice minimum is 16, but wanted to verify?
A: Yes, cardiac CT gating NOT required

Q: Is this a request for Dual Energy metal artifact reduction?
A: Yes

Q: Should the cardiac PET image analysis include the Corridor 4DM or Cedars normalized database software?
A: Cedars normalized database software

Q: Should the cardiac PET image analysis include Myocardial Blood Flow Analysis?
A: No. It will be impractical to get 13N-ammonia and/or 15O-water studies going at the MARC.
Q: Should the cardiac image analysis include cardiac CT angiography analysis software?
A: No – those types of studies will be done on our current scanner.

Q: Should the PET brain analysis software include a normalized comparative database for FDG-18 exams?
A: Yes - Please provide as an option

Q: Should the PET brain analysis software include a normalized comparative database for Amyvid (Eli Lilly AV-45 Isotope) exams?
A: Yes - Please provide as an option.

Q: Does CT contrast injector need to be listed as an option or will it be purchased directly from the Injector OEM?
A: Can be listed as an option - include ceiling mount unit.

Q: Should laser for radiation oncology planning be listed as an option or will it be purchased directly from the Injector OEM?
A: Can list as an option.