

**SUPPLEMENT TO GENERAL REQUIREMENTS SPECIFICATION****SECTION 01 00 00**

**\*ALL ELEMENTS OF THIS SPECIFIC REMAIN UNCHANGED, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF WHAT IS ADDED BELOW:**

**1.2 GENERAL INTENTION**

H. Prior to commencing work, general contractor shall provide proof that a OSHA designated "competent person" (CP) (29 CFR 1926.20(b)(2)) will maintain a presence at the work site whenever the general or subcontractors are present.

I. Training:

1. All employees of general contractor or subcontractors shall have the 10-hour or 30-hour OSHA Construction Safety course and other relevant competency training, as determined by the COR acting as the Construction Safety Officer with input from the facility Construction Safety Committee. The designated competent person representing the general contractor and subcontractors will have a minimum 30 hour OSHA certification.

Other required training prior to the start of work is the following:

TMS 10176 Infosec/ROB

TMS 10203 HIPPA

The training documents will be provided by the VA upon project award. A tracking sheet of all trained personnel must be filled out by the contractor and provided to the project COR as proof that all personnel have received the training.

2. Submit training records of all such employees for approval before the start of work.

J. VHA Directive 2011-36, Safety and Health during Construction, dated 9/22/2011 in its entirety is made a part of this section.

K. The superintendent and project manager shall be dedicated to this project and not be assigned to other projects. All subcontractors may have work on other projects but must prioritize this project in order to stay on this schedule. This project should be considered a priority

to all team members and other projects' workload should not interfere, alter, or affect the schedule of this project.

- L. Prior to the start of any work on this project, all contractor and subcontractor personnel are to complete a VA background investigation and acquire a VA issued PIV badge.

Finger printing is required for background checks to occur and shall be conducted at the Sioux Falls VA PIV office, located in the basement of building 1, room 029. Background checks may take up to 3 weeks to complete, so it is recommended that employees of the general contractor complete this task immediately upon project award and once the notice to proceed is issued.

- M. As part of this project, as per the drawings and specifications, the contractor is responsible for purchasing and installing all required racks, PDUs, patch cables, and patch panels for this project. VA OIT is responsible for acquiring and installing all switches, which will be installed in the contractor provided and installed racks.
- N. Some areas (i.e. CLC2 and CLC3 nurses stations) require new buildouts to replace rooms being converted to communication closets (TRs). Before work is started on such rooms/areas, this work must be coordinated with the COR. No work should start until all material is on hand to start and finish the project, without delay, due to lack of material or personnel.
- O. The Royal C. Johnson Medical Center is a non-smoking facility and does not allow any person to smoke on any portion of the premises at any time. No person is allowed to smoke inside a vehicle or temporary building located on the VA premises. Personnel that are caught smoking on the premises may be dismissed from the job site and VA property. Multiple violations may be grounds for removal from the project all together.
- P. The contractor and, when needed, sub-contractors shall attend weekly project progress meetings as scheduled by the COR. For these meetings, it is the responsibility of the general contractor to prepare a meeting agenda and record then distribute minutes of said meeting. The contractors should come prepared to each meeting ready to discuss the following at a minimum:

1. Safety on project site
2. Planned schedule versus actual schedule
3. Outstanding and/or upcoming RFI/RFP/ASI/mods
4. Current status of project
5. Upcoming work/outages and/or any scheduling conflicts
6. Anything additional which affects project schedule/cost

**\*End of Section 1.2**