

The Florida Legislature

OFFICE OF PROGRAM POLICY ANALYSIS AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY



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Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA)
(6)(b) Contract for Consulting Services-Invitation to Negotiate
Florida Medicaid Capitation Rate-Setting Review
Contract No. OP2502

PROPOSALS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OPPAGA anticipates making a recommendation on or before October23, 2025

OPPAGA is seeking proposals from experienced consultants to conduct a review of Florida's Medicaid capitation rate-setting process in three stages:

- A. Review of Florida's Medicaid capitation rate-setting process;
- B. Comparison of Florida's Medicaid capitation rate-setting process to processes used by other states; and
- C. Actuarial analysis of Florida's current Medicaid capitation rate-setting by Milliman, Inc.

The actuarial analysis must be conducted by a certified actuary with significant experience with Medicaid capitation rates.

Qualifications:

In addition to demonstrating that the actuarial analysis will be conducted by a certified actuary, proposals must show that the proposed team has experience in projects of similar scope and subject to this project. For complete information regarding the details of this procurement, please review the attached documents in their entirety.

Submittal Information:

Submitted responses must be provided electronically to oppagaprocurement@oppaga.fl.gov

Award Process:

OPPAGA will negotiate with consultants as proposals are received and will recommend contracting with the consultant it comes to final terms with first. OPPAGA's recommendation will be subject to final approval by designees of the Florida Legislature.

Notice of Intent:

Consultants intending to submit a proposal for this procurement are requested to submit a notice of intent to oppagaprocurement@oppaga.fl.gov indicating the date the proposal will be submitted.

Ouestions:

Please direct all questions to Janet Tashner, General Counsel, (850) 717-0526.

Contract for Consulting Services Reply Documents

Contract No. OP2502

Florida's Medicaid Capitation Rate-Setting Review

Refer to Schedule A and B of Contract OP2502 for Scope of Work and Deliverables

Please provide the following information in your reply:

I. Information Cover Sheet

A completed and signed Respondent's Information Coversheet (**Appendix A**). This document must be signed by an individual responsible for the organization's response and authorized to negotiate for the organization during the negotiation process, including binding signature authority.

- **II.** Warranties Certifications (Appendix B)
- **III.** Non-Collusion Statement (Appendix C)
- **IV.** Disclosure Information (Appendix D)
 - V. Conflicts Statement (Appendix E)

The Consultant must complete Appendix E listing any and all personal or contractual relationships that exist or have existed within the last **three years**, between the Consultant, subcontractors and their predecessor organization, with Milliman, Inc., the Florida Medicaid Program, or any Medicaid managed care organization that has contracted with the State of Florida (including but not limited to Aetna Better Health, Community Care Plan, Florida Community Care, Humana Medical Plan, Molina Healthcare, Simply Healthcare, Sunshine Health, United Healthcare, Dentaquest, and Liberty). The form must be signed by an individual authorized to legally bind the Consultant.

Not every prior or existing contractual relationship will constitute a conflict, but the Consultant must include sufficient description of the personal or contractual relationship(s) to enable the Legislature to determine whether a conflict exists. OPPAGA, in its sole discretion, will make the final determination regarding the existence of a conflict of interest.

VI. Corporate Capabilities

This portion of the Reply should describe the Consultant's organizational experience with similar projects and demonstrate its understanding of the nature of analysis required for this project by providing the information detailed below. This section describes information requested about the Consultant's firm experience. (Consultant's individual team members' experience is addressed in Section VII.)

This portion of the Reply must include the items below.

- A description of the **current and past experience** the Consultant has that is comparable to the effort required in this project.
- A description of the Consultant organization's **internal product quality assurance system** and the name, title and contact information for their quality assurance manager who can provide additional information.
- Business references (Appendix F) for three (3) engagements undertaken by the Consultant organization within the past five (5) years that were *Medicaid capitation rate-setting projects* of comparable size and complexity to the requirements of this project as well as *overall knowledge of state Medicaid programs*. For each business reference listed, the Consultant should identify the nature of the services provided, and the name, title, mailing address, email address, and telephone number of persons OPPAGA may contact to verify organizational experience. Consultants shall complete the References Form in Appendix F to this Request to provide the contact information for its references. Do not list OPPAGA as a reference.

VII. Project Staffing and Organization

In this portion of the Reply, the Consultant must describe the qualifications of all individuals who will be assigned to the project. The Reply must include each individual's **experience and knowledge** to perform the Schedule A, Research Tasks and Subtasks (Research Tasks and Subtasks) they will be assigned related to the Scope of Work and Deliverables for Products A, B, and C.

Required attributes of team members include: At least one member of the team assigned to Product C must be a certified actuary with significant experience with Medicaid capitation rates. In addition, teams assigned to Products A, B, and C must have experience in projects of similar scope and subject to those described in Schedule A.

This portion of the Reply must include the items below.

- An **organizational chart** for this project that covers the personnel assigned, including identification of subcontractors.
- The total number of **project hours** broken out by each individual assigned to the project. The hours devoted to the project must ensure that the Consultant's proposed methodology to produce each deliverable can be successfully implemented in a timely manner.
- Identification of the individual assigned as day-to-day **project manager** and a description of that individual's prior project leadership experience including any recent, significant experience similar to the scope and complexity of this project.
- Each team member's specific **role** on the project and the Research Tasks and Subtasks they will perform.

Once individual team members are identified and approved by OPPAGA, no changes to the staff, roles, or hours will be permitted without prior approval from OPPAGA.

VIII. Proposed Methodology and Work Plan

The proposed methodology section of the Reply is critical to demonstrating the Consultant's knowledge, experience, and understanding of the Scope of Services requested. In this portion of the Reply, the Consultant must provide a detailed description of the proposed methodologies that will be employed to gather information and conduct the necessary analyses for this review. The Consultant's Reply must state that it will provide all services outlined and meet all requirements provided in the Scope of Services of this Solicitation.

Please provide a separate methodology section for Products A, B, and C.

This portion of the Reply also must include the information below.

- The specific **methods**, such as surveys, interviews, or document reviews that will be used.
- The **primary data** that will be evaluated and the sources of the data.
- The methods that will be used to ensure the **completeness**, **accuracy**, **and reliability** of the data analyzed in the project.
- Any external and internal **benchmarks**, **standards**, **and assumptions** that will be used.
- Any **statistical analyses** and analytical tools, such as Excel, SPSS and SAS, that will be used.
- The methods that will be used to receive and incorporate **feedback** regarding the information in project deliverables, including statements, exhibits, conclusions, and findings.

Required Work Plan

In this portion of the Reply, the Consultant must describe the work that will be performed to gather and analyze information for each Product described in Schedule A. The Work Plan must describe the progression of project work and project milestones, including an estimate of the hours to be allocated to the various deliverables. The Work Plan should be consistent with Consultant's proposed team structure, anticipated roles, and project assignments described in response to Section VII.

This portion of the Reply must, at a minimum, include the items below for *Products A, B, and C*.

- A detailed, well-edited, description of all fieldwork and analyses (e.g., interviews, data analyses, etc.) that will be undertaken to address each Research Task and Subtasks for each Product listed in Schedule A, Scope of Work, the dates and duration of any planned site visits, and the relationship of the Research Tasks and Subtasks to the completion of required deliverables.
- The individual(s) assigned to each Research Task and Subtasks.
- The **completion dates** for each Research Task and Subtasks.

In addition to the information above, the Workplan for Product C must include the following:

- The specific actuarial **methods** that will be used.
- The **primary data** and other information that will be evaluated and the sources of the data/information.
- The steps that will be taken to ensure the **completeness**, **accuracy**, **and reliability** of the data analyzed.
- Any benchmarks/standards that will be used.
- The **assumptions** and other factors that will be considered.
- Any **statistical analyses** and analytical tools, such as Excel, SPSS, or SAS, that will be used.

IX. Financial Reply (Appendix G)

In this portion of the Reply, the Consultant must provide the total cost of the project. The cost submitted must be fixed and all-inclusive for meeting the requirements of this project and completing all services described in the Consultant's Reply. The Florida Legislature will not pay for travel costs.

The Consultant must utilize the Financial Reply included in Appendix G. The Consultant must complete <u>each field</u> of the Financial Reply, Appendix G. (The Consultant may use electronic means to complete the form.)

X. Certification of Minimum Requirements (Appendix H)

XI. Documentation of Qualifications (Appendix I)

In this portion of the Reply, the Consultant must provide documentation that the individual responsible for the actuarial portion of Product C is a certified actuary in a related subject area.

Appendix A Information Cover Sheet

OFFICE OF PROGRAM POLICY ANALYSIS AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY State of Florida Legislature

Florida's Medicaid Capitation Rate-Setting Review OP2502

Company (Consul	tant) Name:			
Company Type (Co	orporation, LLC	C, etc.):		
Principal Address:				
City:		State:	Zip Code:	
FEID No.:				
Website URL:				
Contract Manager	:			
Contract Manager A	Address:			
City:		State:	Zip Code:	
Email Address:		Telephone No.:		
Legal Notice Conta	act Name:			
Address:				
City:	State:	Zip Code:		
Email Address:		Tele	phone No.:	
			ONTRACT <opxxxx> THI ND SIGNATURE BELOW</opxxxx>	<u>ROUGH</u>
Authorized Repres		ner or Authorized Co	rporate Officer/Title)	
Signature:	(Own	er or Authorized Cor	porate Officer)	

Appendix B Warranties Certifications

- The Consultant is registered to do business in the State of Florida with the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations.
- The Consultant or any other organization associated with the Reply is not currently under suspension or debarment by the State or any other governmental authority.
- To the best knowledge of the person signing the Reply, the Consultant, its affiliates, its subsidiaries, its directors, its officers, or employees of any other organization associated with this Reply are not currently under investigation by any governmental authority and have not in the last ten years been convicted or found liable for any act prohibited by law in any jurisdiction involving conspiracy or collusion with respect to bidding on any public contract.
- To the best knowledge of the person signing the Reply, the Consultant, its affiliates, its subsidiaries, its directors, its officers or employees of any other organization associated with this Reply have no delinquent obligations to the State, including a claim by the State for liquidated damages under any other contract.
- To the best knowledge of the person signing the Reply, the Consultant, its affiliates, its subsidiaries, its directors, its officers or employees of any other organization associated with this Reply have not within the preceding three years been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them or is presently under indictment for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain or performing a federal, state, or local government transaction or public contract; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.
- To the best knowledge of the person signing the Reply, the Consultant, its affiliates, its subsidiaries, its directors, its officers or employees of any other organization associated with this Reply have not within a three-year period preceding this certification had one or more federal, state, or local government public transactions terminated for cause or default.

Name of Consultant		
Signature		
Printed or Typed Name		

Appendix C Non-Collusion Statement

I certify that this Reply is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm or person submitting a Reply for the same services, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I agree to abide by all conditions of this Reply and certify that I am authorized to sign this document for the organization and that the organization is in compliance with all requirements of this Reply including, but not limited to, certification requirements.

Name of Corporate (Office:
Name of Corporate (Officer:
•	(Printed or typed name)
Title or Position:	
Signature:	
	(Authorized Officer)
Telephone:	Date:

Appendix D Disclosure Information

Upon reasonable inquiry, the Consultant discloses, on the lines below:

That the following identified owner, officer, director, employee, agent or lobbyist who is/was a current or former member, officer or employee of the Florida Legislature or any of its units and was, is, or will be significantly involved in preparing or approving the services in this proposed contract, representing the interests of the organization regarding this proposed contract, or doing the work covered under this proposed contract.

Name:	Title:
Name:	
	former member or employee of the Florida Legislatur f five percent (5%) or more of the total assets or capital
Name:	Title:
Name:	Title:
Name:	
Name of Corporate Office:	
Name of Corporate Officer:	
Signature of Corporate Officer:	
Title or Position:	
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Appendix E Conflicts Information

List all personal or contractual relationships that exist or have existed within the last three years, between the Consultant, subcontractors, and their predecessor organizations, with Milliman, Inc., the Florida Medicaid Program, or any Medicaid managed care organization that has contracted with the State of Florida (including but not limited to Aetna Better Health, Community Care Plan, Florida Community Care, Humana Medical Plan, Molina Healthcare, Simply Healthcare, Sunshine Health, United Healthcare, Dentaquest, and Liberty).

If none, check here
Name of Consultant:
Name of Corporate Office:
Signature of Corporate Officer:
Title or Position:
Telephone: Date:

Appendix F References

Do not list OPPAGA as a reference

Client 1:	
Contact Person and Title:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	
Type and Duration of Service:	
Dates of Services:	
Client 2:	
Contact Person and Title:	
Mailing Address:	
hone Number:	_
Email Address:	
Type and Duration of Service:	
Dates of Services:	_
Client 3:	
Contact Person and Title:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	_
Email Address:	
Type and Duration of Service:	
Dates of Services:	

Appendix G Financial Reply - Product A

For all individuals that will perform work, provide below the name of the individual, job title, role on the project, assigned tasks and subtasks, and estimated hours *devoted to Product A*.

Name	Job Title	Project Role	Tasks & Subtasks	Hours
	,	TOTAL H	IOURS	'

TOTAL PROJECT COST (EXCLUDING OPTIONAL BRIEFINGS AND PRESENTATIONS)

DELIVERABLE	DESCRIPTION	FIXED COST %	INVOICE AMOUNT
Deliverable A3	Draft Report	25%	
Deliverable A4	Final Report	75%	
	\$		

OPTIONAL DELIVERABLES

OPTIONAL BRIEFINGS-DELIVERABLE A5(a)	
Cost per briefing	\$
TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED COST (4 Briefings)	\$
OPTIONAL PRESENTATIONS-DELIVERABLE A5(b)	
Cost per presentation	\$
TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED COST (2 Presentations)	\$
TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED COST OF ALL OPTIONAL DELIVERABLES	\$

MAXIMUM TOTAL \$
WHITE TO THE \$

Financial Reply - Product B

For all individuals that will perform work, provide below the name of the individual, job title, role on the project, assigned tasks and subtasks, and estimated hours *devoted to Product B*.

			Tasks &	
Name	Job Title	Project Role	Subtasks	Hours
		TOTAL V	CAUDG	
		TOTAL H	OURS	

TOTAL PROJECT COST (EXCLUDING OPTIONAL BRIEFINGS AND PRESENTATIONS)

DELIVERABLE	DESCRIPTION	FIXED COST %	INVOICE AMOUNT
Deliverable B3	Draft Report	25%	
Deliverable B4	Final Report	75%	
	\$		

OPTIONAL DELIVERABLES

OPTIONAL BRIEFINGS-DELIVERABLE B5(a)	
Cost per briefing	\$
TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED COST (4 Briefings)	\$
OPTIONAL PRESENTATIONS-DELIVERABLE B5(b)	
Cost per presentation	\$
TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED COST (2 Presentations)	\$
TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED COST OF ALL OPTIONAL DELIVERABLES	\$

MAXIMUM TOTAL \$	

Financial Reply - Product C

For all individuals that will perform work, provide below the name of the individual, job title, role on the project, assigned tasks and subtasks, and estimated hours *devoted to Product C*.

			Tasks &	
Name	Job Title	Project Role	Subtasks	Hours
	1	TOTAL I	HOURS	1

TOTAL PROJECT COST (EXCLUDING OPTIONAL BRIEFINGS AND PRESENTATIONS)

DELIVERABLE	DESCRIPTION	FIXED COST %	INVOICE AMOUNT
Deliverable C3	Draft Report	25%	
Deliverable C4	Final Report	75%	
DELIVERABLE-BASED FIXED COST			\$

OPTIONAL DELIVERABLES

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OPTIONAL BRIEFINGS-DELIVERABLE C5(a)	
Cost per briefing	
TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED COST (4 Briefings)	\$
OPTIONAL PRESENTATIONS-DELIVERABLE C5(b)	
Cost per presentation	
TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED COST (2 Presentations)	\$
TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED COST OF ALL OPTIONAL DELIVERABLES	·
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MAXIMUM TOTAL	\$

Total Cost of All Products

DELIVERABLE	DESCRIPTION	FIXED COST %	INVOICE AMOUNT
Product A	Deliverables A1-A4	100%	
Product B	Deliverables B1-B4	100%	
Product C	Deliverables C1-C4	100%	
	P	RODUCT TOTAL	\$
OPTIONAL DELIVERABLE	DESCRIPTION	FIXED COST %	INVOICE AMOUNT
Optional Deliverable A5	Optional Deliverables A5(a)&(b)	100%	
Optional Deliverable B5	Optional Deliverables B5(a)&(b)	100%	
Optional Deliverable C5	Optional Deliverables C5(a)&(b)	100%	

MAXIMUM TOTAL ALL PRODCUTS AND OPTIONAL DELIVERABLES \$

OPTIONAL DELIVERABLE TOTAL \$

Appendix H Certification of Minimum Requirements

The Consultant must complete the certification by putting an "X" in the appropriate box.

Minimum Requirements	Yes	No
Certified Actuary in related subject assigned to Product C Team		
Consultant asserts that it shall complete each task and subtask outlined		
in Schedule A, Scope of Work		
Consultant asserts that it shall meet the requirements and deadlines for		
each deliverable as identified in Schedule B.		

Consultant asserts that it shall meet the requirements and deadlines for each deliverable as identified in Schedule B.		
I hereby certify that the entity meets the Minimum Requirements as stated above	ve.	
Ву:		
Date:		

Appendix I Documentation of Qualifications

Contract for Consulting Services

Florida Medicaid Capitation Rate-Setting

Contract Number OP2502

This Contract is between the Florida Legislature (Legislature) on behalf of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) and **<Company Name>**, a **<state registered> <business type: corporation, partnership, LLC, etc.>** registered to do business in Florida, with a principal address of **<address of Consultant>** (Consultant) (collectively, the "Parties"). An OPPAGA designee shall act as the Legislature's Contract Manager (LCM).

The purpose of this Contract is to acquire the services of an independent actuary to review Florida's Medicaid capitation rate-setting. The Legislature requires a Consultant to review Florida's Medicaid capitation rate-setting process, compare Florida's Medicaid capitation rate-setting with other states, and conduct an actuarial analysis of Florida's current Medicaid capitation rate, more fully described in the attached Scope of Work, Schedule A, and Deliverables, Schedule B.

1. Contract Documents

This Contract between the Legislature and the Consultant is comprised of this document and the following documents that are integrated into and made part hereof. If there is a specific, direct, and irreconcilable conflict between any two or more provisions contained in this document and the component Schedules and Appendices, the conflicting provisions will be given the following precedence:

- 1. Contract for Consulting Services and attachments, including
 - i. Appendix I: Florida Legislature Payment Policy, Joint Policies and Procedures of the Presiding Officers
 - Appendix II: Memorandum of Understanding Between Florida Agency for healthcare Administration and Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability
 - iii. Schedule A: Scope of Work
 - iv. Schedule B: Deliverables
- 2. Consultant(s) submitted quote and proposal dated <date of Consultant's quote>

2. Consultant Services and Deliverables

The Consultant Services include the services described in Schedule A and deliverables described in Schedule B. The Consultant agrees that the designated members of its proposed team shall continue to be the members on this project team for the duration of this Contract, unless the Consultant requests and the LCM approves a substitution of another team member to this Contract in writing. The Consultant will designate a Project Manager to act as the project team lead to coordinate with the LCM. The Project Manager for this Contract is **<name**, title, address, email, phone>.

3. Term

The Contract shall become effective upon execution and shall continue in effect until **June 30**, **2027**, unless terminated, amended, or extended before that date according to the provisions herein.

4. Consideration

In consideration of the performance of the services described in this Contract, the Legislature agrees to pay and the Consultant agrees to accept a deliverable-based fixed total payment of < \$X> representing the Fixed Cost, except as otherwise provided herein, in full settlement for the work of **Products A, B, and C, inclusive of Deliverables A1-A4, B1-B4, and C1-C4,** described in this Contract. This sum shall be payable upon receipt and approval of deliverables, as described in Schedule B and the schedule below. The payment schedule below supersedes any payment terms contained in the attachments to this Contract.

In consideration of the performance of the optional deliverable services performed in this Contract, the Legislature agrees to pay and the Consultant agrees to accept a fixed total payment as described in Schedule B and the schedule below. OPPAGA will notify the Consultant in writing whether and how many optional **Deliverable A5(a) and (b)**, **B5(a) and (b)**, **and C5(a) and (b)** appearances will be required. Once the optional deliverables are approved in writing and the Consultant has satisfactorily performed the deliverable, the Consultant will submit an invoice for payment in addition to the deliverable-based fixed cost described above, in accordance with the schedule below, not to exceed \$X, in additional costs.

PAID DELIVERABLES	DESCRIPTION	DUE DATE	INVOICE
			AMOUNT
Deliverable A3	Product A Draft Report	November 17, 2025	
Deliverable A4	Product A Final Report	December 15, 2025	
Deliverable B3	Product B Draft Report	January 5, 2026	
Deliverable B4	Product B Final Report	February 9, 2026	
Deliverable C3	Product C Draft Report	May 1, 2026	
Deliverable C4	Product C Final Report	June 1, 2026	
Total Deliverable-based Fi	xed Cost of All Deliverab	les	
Optional Deliverable A5(a)	Legislative Briefings:	Between January 1,	<\$x each >
	Maximum of 4 calls	2026 and June 30 ,	<no \$x<="" more="" td="" than=""></no>
		2027	total for four>
Optional Deliverable A5(b)	Legislative Testimony:	Between January 1,	<\$x each>
	Maximum of 2	2026 and June 30 ,	<no \$x<="" more="" td="" than=""></no>
	appearances	2027	total for two>
Optional Deliverable B5(a)	Legislative Briefings:	Between January 1,	<\$x each >
	Maximum of 4 calls	2026 and June 30 ,	<no \$x<="" more="" td="" than=""></no>
		2027	total for four>
Optional Deliverable B5(b)	Legislative Testimony:	Between January 1,	<\$x each>
	Maximum of 2	2026 and June 30 ,	<no \$x<="" more="" td="" than=""></no>
	appearances	2027	total for two>

Optional Deliverable C5(a)	Legislative Briefings:	Between January 1,	<\$x each >
	Maximum of 4 calls	2026 and June 30 ,	<no \$x<="" more="" td="" than=""></no>
		2027	total for four>
Optional Deliverable C5(b)	Legislative Testimony:	Between January 1,	<\$x each>
	Maximum of 2	2026 and June 30 ,	<no \$x<="" more="" td="" than=""></no>
	appearances	2027	total for two>
Total Not to Exceed Cost o	f All Optional Deliverabl	es	
Maximum Total			

5. Time is of the Essence

The Parties agree that time is of the essence in the completion and performance of the Consultant's duties and obligations hereunder. The Consultant must notify the LCM within 48 hours if an entity refuses to provide requested information or is otherwise nonresponsive to the Consultant's information requests.

6. Termination for Convenience

The Legislature may terminate the Contract, in whole or in part, upon written notice to the Consultant. The Legislature shall reimburse the Consultant for fees and costs actually incurred for authorized services satisfactorily performed prior to the notice of termination.

7. Termination for Cause and Remedies of the Legislature

Any one or more of the following events shall constitute an Event of Default on the part of the Consultant.

- a. Consultant fails to provide the Consultant Services as required under the Contract;
- b. Consultant discontinues the performance of the work required under the Contract;
- c. Consultant fails to promptly pay any and all taxes or assessments imposed by and legally due to any state or federal government;
- d. Consultant makes or has made a material misrepresentation or omission in any materials provided to the Legislature;
- e. Consultant commits any material breach of the Contract; or
- f. Consultant refuses to allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other material after a determination by OPPAGA that certain records are public record, pursuant to section 25 contained herein.

Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default on the part of the Consultant, the Legislature is entitled to one or more of the following remedies:

- a. Equitable Relief
- b. Monetary Damages (including any re-procurement costs)
- c. Termination of Contract

8. Choice of Law and Venue

The exclusive venue of any legal or equitable action that arises out of or relates to the Contract shall be the appropriate state court in Leon County, Florida; in any such action, Florida law shall apply and the Parties waive any right to jury trial.

9. Availability of Funds

The performance of the Contract shall be subject to and contingent upon the availability of funds lawfully appropriated by and to the Legislature and applicable for the purpose of the services specified.

10. Payment Terms

Payment will be made after receipt of a correct invoice from the Consultant and approval by the Legislature in accordance to Payment Policy of the Florida Legislature Joint Policies and Procedures of the Presiding Officers, attached hereto and incorporated herein as Appendix I. Invoices must be submitted in detail sufficient for a proper pre-audit and post-audit thereof. Invoices will not be presented for any Deliverable until the Consultant completes all terms of the Deliverable and receives the written approval of the Deliverable by the LCM. Acceptance of Deliverables will be dependent upon the Consultant's demonstration that the Consultant has incorporated the LCM's comments and edits through resubmission of the Deliverable to the LCM and written approval of the Deliverable by the LCM. Deliverable resubmissions are due to the LCM within 48 hours of receiving the LCM's comments and edits.

OPPAGA shall be billed upon completion and written acceptance by the LCM of the Deliverables below, as identified in Schedule B.

Product A

DELIVERABLE	PAYMENT AMOUNT
A3 Draft Report	25% fixed cost
A4 Final Report	75% fixed cost

Product B

DELIVERABLE	PAYMENT AMOUNT
B3 Draft Report	25% fixed cost
B4 Final Report	75% fixed cost

Product C

DELIVERABLE	PAYMENT AMOUNT
C3 Draft Report	25% fixed cost
C4 Final Report	75% fixed cost

11. Florida Substitute Form W-9

A completed Substitute Form W-9 is required from Consultants doing business with the State of Florida. The Consultant must register as a vendor with the State of Florida, Department of Financial Services. The registration and requirements for registering and submitting electronically a Substitute Form W-9 are available at http://flvendor.myfloridacfo.com.

12. Project Timeline

DATE	DELIVERABLE
Within 3 days of contract execution	A1-Project Commencement
Biweekly	A2-Routine Updates
November 17, 2025	A3-Draft Report
December 15, 2025	A4-Final Report
Within 3 days of contract execution	B1-Project Commencement
Biweekly	B2-Routine Updates
January 5, 2026	B3-Draft Report
February 9, 2026	B4-Final Report
Within 3 days of contract execution	C1-Project Commencement
Biweekly	C2-Routine Updates
May 1, 2026	C3-Draft Report
June 1, 2026	C4-Final Report

13. Performance Guarantee

The Parties agree that time is of the essence in the performance of services in this Contract. Any delay in the performance of the Deliverables as contained in the Contract can have a negative impact on the activities and functions of the Legislature. The Consultant acknowledges that untimely performance will damage the Legislature but by their nature, such damages are impossible to ascertain presently and will be difficult to ascertain in the future. The issues involved in determining the amount of damages will be multiple and complex, and will be dependent on many and variant factors, proof of which would be burdensome and require lengthy and expensive litigation, which the Parties desire to avoid. Accordingly, the Parties agree that it is in the Parties' best interest to agree upon a reasonable amount of damages that are not intended to be a penalty but are solely intended to compensate for unknown and unascertainable damages and serve as a guarantee of the performance by the Consultant. The LCM may waive the payment of any performance guarantee.

- If the Consultant fails to submit **any deliverables**, by the **dates listed in paragraph 12**, or submits a Deliverable deemed incomplete by the LCM, it shall pay \$1,000 for every calendar day until the Deliverable is acknowledged as received by the LCM. Any Deliverable received after **6PM** Eastern Time on the Deliverable due date will be considered late unless an alternate Deliverable schedule was previously agreed upon in writing by the LCM and the Consultant.
- If the Consultant fails to submit a Deliverable resubmission within **48 hours** of receiving the LCM's comments and edits in accordance with paragraph 10, it shall pay **\$1,000** for every calendar day until the Deliverable is resubmitted unless an alternative Deliverable resubmission schedule was agreed upon in writing.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the Consultant will not be assessed any performance guarantee to the extent any such delays in the above-noted Deliverables is due to the acts or omissions of the Legislature or Force Majeure, which includes natural disasters like hurricanes, floods, or other "acts of God," war, terrorism or threats of terrorism, civil disorder, labor strikes or disruptions, fire, disease or medical epidemics or outbreaks, curtailment of transportation facilities preventing or delaying travel, or other emergency beyond the Parties' control.

14. Insurance

The Consultant shall not commence any work in connection with this Contract until it has obtained all of the appropriate insurance coverage to adequately protect the Legislature from any and all liability and property damage hazards which may result from the performance of the Contract, including errors and omissions insurance for the willful or negligent acts or omissions of any officers, employees, or agents of the Consultant. Furthermore, all insurance shall be with qualified insurers duly licensed to transact business in this state. The Legislature shall be exempt from, and in no way liable for, any sums of money that may represent a deductible in any insurance policy. The payment of such deductible shall be the sole responsibility of the Consultant providing such insurance. Upon request, the Consultant shall furnish the Legislature an insurance certificate, demonstrating that all of the appropriate coverages are fully in effect.

15. Indemnification

The Parties agree that the Consultant shall be fully liable for the actions of its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors and shall fully indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Legislature and its officers, agents, and employees from suits, actions, damages and costs of every name and description, including attorney's fees, arising from or relating to personal injury and damage to real or personal tangible property alleged to be caused in whole or in part by, but only to the extent attributable to, the Consultant, its agents, employees, partners or subcontractors to the fullest extent allowed by Florida law.

16. Limitation of Liability

Neither the Legislature nor the Consultant is liable to each other for special, indirect, punitive, or consequential damages, even if the party has been advised that such damages are possible. No Party shall be liable for lost profits, lost revenue, or lost institutional operating savings. The Legislature may, in addition to other remedies available to it at law or in equity and upon notice to the Consultant, retain such monies from amounts due to the Consultant as may be necessary to satisfy any claim for damages, penalties, costs and the like asserted by or against it. The Legislature may set off any liability or other obligation of the Consultant under any contract with the Legislature.

17. Subcontractors or Third-Party Contractors

This Contract was premised upon the evaluation and the reliance of the Florida Legislature on the Consultant, its proposed staffing and expertise for this Contract, including its subcontractors, through a competitive solicitation process. Therefore, this Contract, or any portion thereof, shall not be assigned or further subcontracted without the prior written approval of the LCM. However, no subcontract shall, under any circumstances, relieve the Consultant of its liability and obligation

under this Contract, and despite any such subcontract, the Florida Legislature shall conduct its business through the Consultant, who shall retain the legal responsibility for performing the Consultant's obligations, including payments to its subcontractors.

18. Representations

Consultant understands that any misstatements or lack of candor by the Consultant about the qualifications or availability of it or its personnel constitutes a breach of the resulting Contract and may be grounds for immediate termination of the Consultant's services by the Legislature. The Consultant represents further that it has had the opportunity to seek counsel and is not under duress from the Legislature or any other person.

19. Taxes

The Legislature does not pay any state or federal taxes and all fees are exclusive of any taxes.

20. Waivers

The Legislature shall not be deemed to have waived any of its rights or remedies hereunder unless such waiver are in writing and signed by the Legislature. No delay or omission on the part of the Legislature in exercising any rights or remedies shall operate as a waiver of such right or remedy or any other rights or remedies. A waiver on any one occasion shall not be construed as a bar or waiver of any right or remedy on future occasions.

21. Prohibition Against Assignment

This Contract may not be assigned by the Consultant, in whole or in part, except by prior written authorization by the LCM.

22. Warranties

The Consultant warrants that it is qualified and possesses the requisite skills, knowledge, experience and necessary staff to provide the services as stated in this Contract. The Consultant shall devote such time and effort to the performance of the services as may be necessary to satisfactorily complete the Services as authorized herein. The Consultant agrees that its performance of any other services during the Contract Term will not interfere with the faithful and timely performance of this Contract.

The Consultant warrants that, to the best of its knowledge, there is no pending or threatened action, proceeding, or investigation, or any other legal or financial condition, that would in any way prohibit, restrain, or diminish the Consultant's ability to satisfy its Contract obligations. The Consultant warrants that neither it nor any affiliate is currently on the convicted vendor list maintained pursuant to s. 287.133, *Florida Statutes*, or on any other similar list maintained by another state or the federal government. The Consultant shall immediately notify the Legislature in writing if its ability to perform is compromised in any manner during the term of the Contract.

The Consultant warrants that the Services will be provided in a professional manner and in accordance with the standards generally observed in the industry for similar services and will be provided with reasonable skill and care. The Consultant warrants that it shall use reasonable

endeavors to maintain continuity in its staff engaged to provide the Services. The Consultant will use all reasonable endeavors to ensure that the Services will be free from harmful programming, scripts, virus, spyware, backdoors, or other deleterious components. The Consultant shall work with and cooperate with the Legislature's personnel and/or contractors.

23. Notices

All legal or other notices and other communications required or permitted to be given under this Contract, other than routine operational communications must be in writing and must be hand delivered, or mailed via U.S. mail or express overnight courier with a reliable system for tracking delivery, or sent via confirmed facsimile or electronic mail, addressed to the respective Parties as follows:

To Legislature: OPPAGA, Coordinator

P.O. Box 1475

Tallahassee, FL 32399-1475

OPPAGA Contract Manager, OP2502

P.O. Box 1475

Tallahassee, FL 32399-1475

OPPAGA, General Counsel

P.O. Box 1475

Tallahassee, FL 32399-1475

To Consultant: <Legal Notices Designee for Consultant>

< Address>

< Email>

The effective date of any notice under this Contract shall be the date of delivery or refusal of such notice, and not the date of mailing.

24. Contract Manager

The Contract Manager on behalf of the Legislature is **Wendy Scott**, **Staff Director**, **scott.wendy@oppaga.fl.gov**, 111 W. Madison Street, Suite 312, P.O. Box 1475 Tallahassee, FL 32399-1475. The Contract Manager on behalf of the Consultant is **Consultant name**, **title**, **and mailing address and email address**>. All written and verbal approvals referenced in the Contract must be obtained from the Parties' contract managers or their designees, and all notices must be given to the Parties' contract manager.

25. Working Papers and Public Records

All records made or received by the Consultant as working papers, including drafts, or final products in conjunction with this Contract are the property of OPPAGA. The Consultant is expressly prohibited from sourcing material from these records for any purpose other than as directed or approved by the LCM. The Consultant will destroy all project information 3 years after

the contract term ends, unless otherwise required in writing by the LCM. Confidential information must be destroyed at the end of the contract term unless otherwise required in writing by the LCM. Upon destruction, the Consultant will provide notice to OPPAGA of the destruction date and a list of all working papers destroyed.

Other records may be public records available for inspection by the public in accordance with the provisions of s. 24, Article I of the Florida Constitution, and s. 11.0431, *Florida Statutes*. Pursuant to s. 11.51(4), *Florida Statutes*, OPPAGA work papers are exempt from s. 24(a), Article I of the Florida Constitution. If the Consultant receives a request for public records, the Consultant shall immediately notify the LCM of the request and shall coordinate the response with the LCM. In order to assure that records subject to any exemption are not disclosed, the Consultant shall not allow any inspection of or otherwise disclose any information found in said documents or records unless and until so directed by the LCM. The provisions of s. 11.0431, *Florida Statutes*, Ch. 119, *Florida Statutes*, and other applicable state and federal laws will govern disclosure of any confidential or exempt information.

26. Confidential Information Requests

Consultant agrees to take all appropriate, administrative, physical, and technical safeguards to protect all data accessed, processed, stored, or transmitted in connection with the services provided under this Contract as defined by applicable data protection laws and outlined by the terms and conditions of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Agency for Healthcare Administration and OPPAGA attached and incorporated herein as Appendix II. The Consultant will use the data provided to it only for the purposes of performing its obligations under this Contract. The Consultant will not publish, transmit, release, or disclose this information to any other person without the LCM's prior written consent.

The Consultant may also obtain access to confidential or exempt information pursuant to the services provided under this Contract, including, but not limited to, protected health information (PHI). Except as necessary to fulfill the terms of this Contract and with the permission of the LCM, the Consultant shall not divulge to any third parties, regardless of affiliation with the Consultant, any confidential or exempt information obtained by the Consultant or its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors in the course of performing the services pursuant to this Contract, including, but not limited to, PHI, or any other information considered confidential and/or exempt under the provisions of s. 11.0431, *Florida Statutes* or Ch. 119, *Florida Statutes*.

The Consultant agrees to abide by all applicable security procedures and policies of OPPAGA that are communicated to it by the LCM. The Consultant, including any of its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors, shall not store, or allow to be stored, any confidential information on any portable storage media (e.g., laptops, thumb drives, hard drives, etc.) or on any personal or Consultant-supplied computer or peripheral device with the capacity to hold information, except upon written consent of the LCM. At all times, the Consultant shall abide by State and Federal laws concerning the storage of PHI and personal identifying information. Failure to strictly comply with this provision shall constitute a breach of contract.

The Consultant acknowledges and agrees to contractually bind its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors to comply with the same confidentiality requirements to which the Consultant is bound under this Contract. Accordingly, if the Consultant's agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors, providing services under the terms of this Contract have access, in whatever form or function, to confidential data, the Consultant will ensure that any such individuals sign a confidentiality agreement, prior to any such activity or access. This agreement must contain provisions regarding nondisclosure of confidential data. The Consultant may only disclose confidential data to its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors who have a need to know this information in order to perform their duties under this Contract and only to the extent that it is necessary.

Regardless of the form of any formal agreement that the Consultant has signed with its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors, the Consultant will retain liability for all breaches of this Contract and for negligent acts or omissions and/or unauthorized use or disclosure of the confidential data by its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors.

Consultant agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless OPPAGA and the Florida Legislature against all claims, damages, liabilities, costs, and expenses arising out of or related to any data breach, unauthorized access, or disclosure of confidential information resulting from the Consultant's acts, omissions, negligence, or failure to comply with applicable data protection laws or contractual obligations. This obligation shall survive the termination or expiration of this Contract.

27. Security Breaches/Inappropriate Data Access

The Consultant shall notify the LCM in writing of any disclosure of unsecured confidential information obtained by the Consultant, its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors which is not in compliance with the terms of the Contract (of which the Consultant becomes aware). The Consultant also shall report to the LCM any Security Incidents of which it becomes aware, including those incidents reported to the Consultant by its agents, employees, partners, or subcontractors, or any other individuals to whom the Consultant exposes confidential information obtained under this Contract.

For purposes of this Contract, "Security Incident" means the attempted or successful unauthorized access, use, disclosure, modification, or destruction of the data provided to the Consultant pursuant to the services rendered under this Contract in the Consultant's possession; however, random attempts at access shall not be considered a Security Incident. Any Security Incident shall be immediately reported to the LCM upon knowledge by the Consultant (no less than four hours from the discovery of the Security Incident) and may result in termination of this Contract. The Consultant's report shall identify, to the extent known: (i) the nature of the unauthorized use or disclosure, (ii) the confidential information used or disclosed, (iii) who made the unauthorized use or received the unauthorized disclosure, (iv) what the Consultant has done or shall do to mitigate any deleterious effect of the unauthorized use or disclosure, and (v) what corrective action the Consultant has taken or shall take to prevent future similar unauthorized use or disclosure. In the event of any impermissible disclosure, loss, or destruction of the data provided to the Consultant

under this Contract, the Consultant shall take all reasonable steps to mitigate any potential harm or further disclosure, loss, or destruction of such information.

In the event of a breach of security concerning confidential personal information involved with this Contract, the Consultant shall comply with s. 501.171, *Florida Statutes*. When notification to affected persons is required under this section of the statute, the Consultant shall provide that notification, but only after receipt of the LCM's approval of the contents of the notice. Defined statutorily, and for purposes of this Contract, "breach of security" or "breach" means the unauthorized access of data in electronic form containing personal information. Good faith access of personal information by an employee or agent of the Consultant does not constitute a breach of security, provided that the information is not used for a purpose unrelated to the Consultant's obligations under this Contract or is not subject to further unauthorized use.

28. Other Conditions

Consultant shall not publish, release, or present to any third party any information, findings, or recommendations concerning work done or information gained under this Contract without approval by the LCM. All contacts by media concerning work done or information gained under this Contract shall be referred to the LCM for response.

29. Entire Contract

This Contract constitutes the entire understanding of the Parties and supersedes any prior contracts, written or oral, related to the same subject matter. This Contract cannot be changed except in writing by the signature of both Parties. However, reasonable changes to the deliverables due dates may occur upon written request and justification by the Consultant and written approval by the LCM or the LCM's delegate.

30. Execution in Counterparts

The Contract may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute one and the same contract. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page to the Contract by e-mail, facsimile or other electronic transmission shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart.

Executed at Tallahassee, Florida, on the dates shown below.

The Florida Legislature:		
The Florida Senate:	The Florida House of Representatives:	
By:	By:	
Ben Albritton, President	Daniel Perez, Speaker	
Date:	Date:	
Consultant:		
By:		
(Print Name)		
Title:		
(Print title)		
Date:		

APPENDIX I

Payment Policy of the Florida Legislature Joint Policies and Procedures of the Presiding Officers

3.5 INVOICE PROCESSING PROCEDURE

The Finance & Accounting Office will perform the following actions on each invoice:

- (1) Audit each invoice, including any duplicate invoices, for compliance with the contractual agreement or purchase order and mathematical accuracy, and determine if the payment is properly authorized or not previously paid;
- (2) Record information into the State's accounting system; and
- (3) Maintain voucher files with supporting documentation, files of unpaid purchase orders, and other files as necessary to maintain adequate accounting control and documentation.

3.5.1 INVOICE PROCESSING TIME LIMITS

- (1) A voucher authorizing payment of an invoice submitted to a unit of the Legislature will be filed with the Department of Financial Services (DFS) no later than 20 days after receipt of the invoice and receipt, inspection, and approval of the goods or services, except that, in the case of a bona fide dispute, the voucher will contain a statement of the dispute and authorize payment only in the amount not disputed. Approval and inspection of goods or services will take no longer than five working days unless the bid specifications, purchase order, or contract specifies otherwise. If a voucher filed within the 20-day period is returned by DFS because of an error, it will nevertheless be deemed timely filed. For the purposes of determining the receipt of invoice date, the Legislature is deemed to receive an invoice on the date on which a proper invoice is first received in the Finance & Accounting Office. The Legislature is deemed to receive an invoice on the date the invoice was postmarked if the Finance & Accounting Office failed to annotate the invoice with the date of receipt at the time it actually received the invoice.
- (2) The Finance & Accounting Office will keep a record of the date of receipt of the invoice; dates of receipt, inspection, and approval of the goods or services; date of the voucher; and date of issuance of the warrant in payment thereof.
- (3) The Legislature may make partial payments to a contractor upon partial delivery of goods or services or upon partial completion of construction when a request for such partial payment is made by the contractor and approved by the legislative unit. Provisions of this section will apply to partial payments in the same manner as they apply to full payments.
 - (4) Travel and other reimbursements to state officers and employees will be the same as payments to vendors pursuant to this section.

Schedule A - Scope of Work

Background

Florida's Medicaid Program

The Agency for Health Care Administration's (AHCA) Division of Medicaid facilitates health care for low-income families and individuals and assists the elderly and people with disabilities with nursing facility care costs and other medical and long-term expenses. AHCA operates Florida's Medicaid program using the fee-for-service (FFS) and Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) delivery systems. Under the FFS payment system, providers deliver services to Medicaid recipients and bill the state on an individual or itemized basis, and the state Medicaid program reimburses after providers render the service. Under the SMMC payment system, AHCA contracts with private managed care plans for the coordination and payment of services for Medicaid recipients. The state pays the plans a capitation payment, which is a fixed monthly payment per beneficiary enrolled in the plan. In return for the capitated payment, each plan is responsible for arranging for and paying providers for all covered services delivered to Medicaid beneficiaries. The per member per month (PMPM) capitation rate is paid to the plan each month regardless of the actual expenditures or level of claims of an individual enrollee.

AHCA maintains FFS fee schedules that include the rates the agency will pay FFS providers for services. However, in managed care, for most services, the SMMC plans negotiate mutually agreed upon rates with the providers the plans choose to contract with. The capitation rates reflect historical utilization and spending for covered services projected forward and are established and certified by AHCA's actuarial services vendor. The SMMC program delivers services in nine regions of the state; regions are established by taking into consideration Florida's provider networks, health care delivery model, and referral patterns.

Capitation Payments

The Medicaid capitation rate-setting process operates within a framework guided by standards and regulations set by the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). AHCA contracts with Milliman, Inc. to assist in setting and certifying managed care rates (i.e., capitation rates). Actuaries must adhere to multiple standards and codes of conduct from the American Academy of Actuaries (AAA) and the Society of Actuaries (SOA).

- CMS Regulations Relative to Medicaid: Must comply with all relevant CMS regulations related to Medicaid (Code of Federal Regulations §430 - §456) to meet federal requirements.
- CMS Medicaid Managed Care Rate Development Guide: This guide outlines the necessary documentation required for CMS review and approval of capitation rates.
- AAA Actuarial Standards of Practice (ASOPs): Specifically, ASOP 49, "Medicaid Managed

¹ In Florida's managed care delivery model, SMMC plans contract with AHCA and are paid a per member per month capitation rate for each recipient enrolled in the plan, including any adjustments, for providing all of an enrollee's medical, dental, or home and community-based care, depending on plan type.

² Current managed care organizations include Aetna Better Health, Community Care Plan, Florida Community Care, Humana Medical Plan, Molina Healthcare, Simply Healthcare, Sunshine Health, United Healthcare, Dentaquest, and Liberty.

- Care Capitation Rate Development and Certification," which provides detailed guidance for setting Medicaid managed care capitation rates.
- AAA and SOA Code of Conduct: Establishes ethical and professional standards for actuaries, requiring them to act with integrity, uphold the public interest, comply with applicable laws, and provide objective, competent, and honest actuarial services.

To ensure compliance with these standards and regulations, Milliman, Inc., includes an appendix in all final rate-setting reports to address each relevant item of the CMS Medicaid Managed Care Rate Development Guide. Each rate submission is accompanied by an actuarial certification that verifies the accuracy and regulatory adherence of the rates. All capitation rates undergo a CMS review, involving multiple rounds of questions and answers to validate the methodology utilized to develop rates for CMS to approve the capitation rates.

Capitation Rate Setting

AHCA's actuarial services vendor, Milliman Inc., develops capitation rates for the SMMC program.³ Milliman, Inc. uses encounter data in conjunction with financial data reported by the SMMC plans to develop capitation rates using the following steps.

- 1. Using historical utilization and cost data to establish the base data set
- 2. Adjusting the base data for any program changes, fee schedule increases, or legislative directives
- 3. Applying utilization, trend, seasonality, and acuity adjustments to reflect the new/current rating period
- 4. Building in SMMC plan administrative costs and profit margins

A distinct capitation rate is set for each rate cell for each of the Florida Medicaid SMMC regions. Rate cells vary by eligibility, gender, age, and special conditions. Some rate cells are risk adjusted to adjust capitation payments for expected expenditures based on health status. For example, the rates are risk-adjusted monthly for long-term care (LTC) and quarterly for managed medical assistance (MMA).⁴ In general, once set on October 1 of each year, rates remain constant throughout the rate year unless there is a generational event or a material mistake that would require a technical correction.

Legislative increases to facility rates or provider fee schedules are built into the capitation rates for the health plans to pass through to the providers during the following state fiscal year (SFY). Administrative expenses and increases to administrative expenses as a result of programmatic

³ AHCA's contract with Milliman, Inc. requires the vendor to review and adapt methodologies for managed care rate-setting and risk adjustment; develop and certify actuarially sound capitation rates for services provided under managed care; complete CMS required templates for budget neutrality and cost-effectiveness analysis of waiver programs; complete other analyses of Medicaid program data or finances; and develop reimbursement rates for hospital inpatient and outpatient services for the Medicaid FFS delivery system using the All Patient Refined Diagnosis Related Group and the Enhanced Ambulatory Patient Group.

⁴ MMA provides Medicaid covered medical services like doctor visits, hospital care, prescribed drugs, mental health care, and transportation. Most Medicaid enrollees will receive their care from a plan that covers MMA services. LTC provides Medicaid LTC services like care in a nursing facility, assisted living facility, or at home. To receive LTC services you must be at least 18 years old and meet nursing home level of care (or meet hospital level of care if you have Cystic Fibrosis).

changes are built into the capitation rates as well, along with a 2% profit margin for the plans, which may end up being more or less depending on the health of the membership.

The total capitated amount that the SMMC plans are paid is used to forecast the appropriated budget for Medicaid the following state fiscal year. At the Florida Legislature's Office of Economic and Demographic Research's <u>Social Services Estimating Conference</u>, managed care expenditures are combined with fee-for-service expenditures and other appropriations to arrive at a total program cost, which is then trended forward to estimate the budgetary need for the coming SFY. In SFY 2024-25, capitated expenses represented about 75% of the appropriated Medicaid budget.

As part of the rate-setting process, Milliman, Inc. and AHCA meet with the SMMC plans to share base data and assumptions on costs of upcoming Medicaid program changes and potential changes and trends to the cost of the healthcare delivery system in general. Draft rates are developed during and shortly after legislative session and most legislative changes are incorporated into the draft rates. After session, Milliman, Inc. and AHCA meet with the SMMC plans again to share and discuss the draft rates, and plans are given an opportunity to provide feedback on the draft rates before the rates are finalized. SMMC plan feedback, post-session changes to the General Appropriations Act, and additional months of experiential data can result in changes to the final rates when compared to the draft rates.

Research Tasks and Subtasks

Per proviso language in Ch. 2025-198, Laws of Florida (2025 General Appropriations Act), OPPAGA must contract with an actuary to conduct an actuarial review and related analysis of Medicaid capitation rates under Specific Appropriations 171–225. To conduct this actuarial review and related analysis, the actuary will require access to Medicaid financial data. The Specific Appropriations section further requires AHCA to provide this data under a data sharing agreement.

There are three required products associated with meeting the GAA requirements.

Product A:

Review of the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration's Medicaid Capitation Rate-Setting Process

Product B:

Comparison of Florida's Medicaid Capitation Rate-Setting Process to the Processes Used by Other States

Product C:

Actuarial Analysis of Milliman, Inc.'s, Medicaid Capitation Rate-Setting Under Contract MED215

Product A

Review of the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration's Medicaid Capitation Rate-Setting Process

The review must include Florida's Medicaid capitation rate-setting process for the following plans or programs (included in contract <u>MED215</u>) from state fiscal years 2021-22 through 2024-25.

- Managed medical assistance
- Long-term care plans
- Specialty plans
- Dental plans
- Special needs plans
- Program of all inclusive care for the elderly (PACE)
- Non-emergency medical transportation

During the review, the Consultant must complete the tasks outlined below under Research Tasks. The proposal must include a plan of work for completing these tasks.

Research Tasks

- 1. Describe all underlying data AHCA and Milliman, Inc., AHCA's actuarial services vendor, used to develop Medicaid capitation rates, including but not limited to
 - specified information outlining the capitation rates and administrative costs built into the rates;
 - ii. data associated with developing base data costs and adjustments made to base cost data;
 - iii. historical and projected Medicaid expenditure trend rates;
 - iv. historical and projected Medicaid utilization trend rates;
 - v. Medicaid eligibility data;
 - vi. Medicaid claims data;
 - vii. Achieved savings rebate (ASR) financial data submissions;
 - viii. Florida Medicaid Management Information System (FMMIS) encounter data; and
 - ix. other supporting information from Statewide Medicaid Managed Care plans.
- 2. Describe the roles, responsibilities, and actions of the following entities related to the Medicaid capitation rate-setting process.
 - i. Agency for Health Care Administration
 - ii. Milliman, Inc. (AHCA's actuarial services vendor)
 - iii. Statewide Medicaid Managed Care plans
 - iv. The Florida Legislature's Office of Economic and Demographic Research's Social Services Estimating Conference
 - v. U.S. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
 - vi. Other involved entities (e.g., service providers)

- 3. Examine and describe the entire Medicaid capitation rate-setting process, methodology, actuarial assumptions, and factors used to set Medicaid capitation rates including, but not limited to
 - i. draft rates;
 - ii. final rates;
 - iii. rate adjustments;
 - iv. frequency of rate adjustments; and
 - v. reasons for rate adjustments.

Interviews

Fieldwork must include interviews of staff from Florida AHCA and Milliman, Inc.

Conclusions

Compare the process from state fiscal years 2021-22 through 2024-25 including key similarities, differences, and factors that contributed to rate-setting.

Product B

Comparison of Florida's Medicaid Capitation Rate-Setting Process to the Processes Used by Other States

Compare Florida's Medicaid capitation rate-setting process to the processes used by California, Georgia, Illinois, New York, and Texas. Descriptions of other states' processes should include

- draft rates;
- final rates;
- rate adjustments;
- frequency of rate adjustments; and
- reasons for rate adjustments.

The review must include the Medicaid capitation rate-setting process for the Medicaid plans or programs included in the California, Georgia, Illinois, New York, and Texas managed care models.

During the review, the Consultant must complete the tasks outlined below under Research Tasks. The proposal must include a plan of work for completing these tasks.

Research Tasks

- 1. Describe each comparison state's Medicaid delivery system(s) including but not limited to
 - i. type of delivery systems used (e.g., fee-for-service, managed care);
 - ii. plans or programs (e.g., managed medical assistance, long-term care) included in each state's managed care delivery system;
 - iii. populations covered by Medicaid in each state;
 - iv. number and percentage of Medicaid enrollees participating in each system;
 - v. total Medicaid budget and Medicaid budget as a percentage of overall state budget;
 - vi. Medicaid spending by service category and enrollee; and
 - vii. oversight mechanisms (e.g., state oversight commission).
- 2. Review and describe the Medicaid capitation rate-setting process for each comparison state, including but not limited to the
 - roles, responsibilities, and actions of all entities involved in the rate-setting process;
 - ii. methodology and actuarial assumptions used when setting rates;
 - iii. underlying data relied upon by the state Medicaid agency to set capitation rates;
 - iv. use of achieved savings rebates, medical loss ratios (MLR), and other factors when setting capitation rates; and
 - v. rate adjustments.

- 3. Identify and describe the differences between Florida's process for Medicaid capitation rate-setting and the processes used by each comparison state including but not limited to differences in
 - i. legal frameworks for establishing and reviewing rates;
 - ii. data sources;
 - iii. methodology;
 - iv. actuarial assumptions;
 - v. other factors relevant to the rate-setting process (e.g., ASRs and MLRs);
 - vi. frequency of rate adjustments; and
 - vii. reasons for rate adjustments.

Interviews

Fieldwork must include interviews of staff from the Medicaid Agency in each comparison state.

Conclusions

Compare the California, Georgia, Illinois, New York, and Texas Medicaid capitation rate-setting process to Florida's Medicaid capitation rate-setting process as outlined in Research Tasks 1 to 3 above. The review must include key similarities and differences, changes or initiatives within the last five years, and other considerations based on these findings.

Product C

Actuarial Analysis of Milliman, Inc.'s, Medicaid Capitation Rate-Setting Under Contract MED215

The Consultant will advise and provide expertise regarding the procedures and methodology for Florida's Medicaid capitation draft rates, final rates, rate adjustments, and frequency of rate adjustments. The Consultant will independently and thoroughly review Milliman, Inc.'s, actuarial procedures and methodology over state fiscal year 2024-25 and one other contract year as proposed by the Consultant and approved by OPPAGA based upon findings in Product A (collectively the "review period").

During the review, the Consultant must complete the tasks outlined below under Research Tasks. To provide quantitative information, some replication of the Milliman, Inc.'s, work will be necessary. The proposal must include a plan of work for completing these tasks.

Research Tasks

- 1. Examine and review the work of AHCA's actuarial services vendor, Milliman, Inc., to determine if
 - i. rate-setting methods were in accordance with the requirements of state and federal law, agency rules, and governmental accounting standards;
 - rate-setting methods were appropriate and sound, including whether Milliman,
 Inc. used generally accepted data, actuarial methods, actuarial assumptions, and
 reporting standards;
 - iii. assumptions used were derived using a sufficient level of detail and are reasonable;
 - iv. the rate-setting report provided sufficient information on the rate-setting methodology and actuarial assumptions to facilitate evaluation of specific factors;
 - v. the rate-setting report adequately provided the information that an independent actuary, would find sufficient to arrive at reasonably similar results;
 - vi. capitation rates were calculated correctly and can be replicated; and
 - vii. other aspects of Milliman, Inc.'s work and final rate-setting report were sufficient.

Conclusions

The Consultant must make conclusions as to the appropriateness and sufficiency of the procedures and methodology used by Milliman, Inc. to prepare the 2024-25 Medicaid capitation rates and adjustments and quantify the financial effect of any suggested alternatives to Milliman, Inc.'s, procedures, methodologies, or assumptions for each report and rate adjustment within the review period.

Schedule B - Deliverables

Product A

Review of the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration's Medicaid Capitation Rate-Setting Process

Deliverable A1—Project Commencement: Within **three** business days of contract execution, the Consultant must contact **the Agency for Health Care Administration to initiate the project.**

Deliverable A2 – Routine Updates: At a minimum, the Project Manager must provide the LCM with **bi-weekly** updates on the progress of fieldwork and tentative findings. The Project Manager must attend these meetings but may include other project staff as deemed necessary to provide complete information on the status of the review. These updates will occur remotely throughout the Contract period at a mutually agreed upon time and will include discussion of potential findings and concerns. Additional meetings may be held at the request of the LCM.

Deliverable A3—Draft Report: The Consultant must submit an electronic version of the Draft Report to the LCM no later than **November 17, 2025**. This Draft Report must address each of the research tasks **1 to 3** in the Scope of Work proposed for inclusion in the Final Report with supporting evidence. The Draft Report should also include all charts, graphs and exhibits that are proposed for inclusion in the Final Report. The Draft Report also must include an executive summary that clearly and succinctly describes the information that will be included in the Final Report. The LCM will provide feedback to the Consultant on the completeness and clarity of information presented in the Draft Report and may require modifications or revisions to ensure that the Legislature's information needs are met.

Upon addressing all feedback from the LCM on the Draft Report and only after receiving written approval of the Draft Report from the LCM, the Consultant must submit an electronic pdf version of the Draft Report, with a draft watermark, to the Florida Agency for Healthcare Administration to review for accuracy and completeness of the report information.

The LCM must approve any suggested edits to the Draft Report based on feedback from AHCA to address the accuracy and completeness of key findings and recommendations.

Deliverable A4—Final Report: The Consultant must submit an electronic version of the Final Report, which the Project Manager has reviewed and approved, to the LCM no later than **December 15, 2025**.

Optional Deliverable A5—Briefings and Legislative Testimony: Following receipt and approval of the Draft Report, the LCM may, at the complete and sole discretion of OPPAGA, ask the Consultant in writing, to provide briefings and/or legislative testimony. If requested, this testimony would occur sometime after January 1, 2026, but prior to June 30, 2027. The Consultant shall price this optional deliverable independently as part of their financial reply. The Legislature makes no assurances that this Deliverable will be requested and will not approve expenditures incurred without prior approval.

- Briefings: The Consultant, including all senior Consultant team members necessary to
 discuss report information, as approved by OPPAGA, may be asked to provide up to
 four (4) conference call briefings to the Legislature. The actual number of briefings
 and the persons receiving those briefings shall be within the sole discretion of
 OPPAGA. No travel reimbursement will be provided. The itemized cost for each
 individual briefing and the total cost for four briefings should be presented on the
 financial reply.
- Legislative testimony: The Consultant may be asked to appear in Tallahassee, Florida to provide up to two (2) in-person presentations to legislative committees on the Final Report. Compensation for such presentations shall be at a fixed cost which includes the hourly rate proposed by the Consultant for up to two identified persons for these presentations, per hour of time spent in such presentation or in consulting with the OPPAGA contract manager in the city of such presentation during normal business hours, and the Consultant's time preparing for each legislative presentation. This fee shall include all the Consultant's expenses, costs and compensation for such services. Please note that the Legislature will not pay the Consultant for travel time or travel costs. The itemized cost of each presentation and the total cost for two presentations should be presented on the financial reply.

Product B

Comparison of Florida's Medicaid Capitation Rate-Setting Process to the Processes Used by Other States

Deliverable B1—Project Commencement: Within **three** business days of contract execution, the Consultant must notify the LCM that the project work has begun.

Deliverable B2 – Routine Updates: At a minimum, the Project Manager must provide the LCM with **bi-weekly** updates on the progress of fieldwork and tentative findings. The Project Manager must attend these meetings but may include other project staff as deemed necessary to provide complete information on the status of the review. These updates will occur remotely throughout the Contract period at a mutually agreed upon time and will include discussion of potential findings and concerns. Additional meetings may be held at the request of the LCM.

Deliverable B3—Draft Report: The Consultant must submit an electronic version of the Draft Report to the LCM no later than **January 5, 2026**. This Draft Report must address each of the research tasks **1 to 3** in the Scope of Work proposed for inclusion in the Final Report with supporting evidence. The Draft Report should also include all charts, graphs and exhibits that are proposed for inclusion in the Final Report. The Draft Report also must include an executive summary that clearly and succinctly describes the information that will be included in the Final Report. The LCM will provide feedback to the Consultant on the completeness and clarity of presentation of the Draft Report which may require modifications or revisions to ensure that the Legislature's information needs are met.

Deliverable B4—Final Report: The Consultant must submit an electronic version of the Final Report, which the Project Manager has reviewed and approved, to the LCM no later than **February 9, 2026**.

Optional Deliverable B5—Briefings and Legislative Testimony: Following receipt and approval of the Draft Report, the LCM may, at the complete and sole discretion of OPPAGA, ask the Consultant in writing, to provide briefings and/or legislative testimony. If requested, this testimony would occur sometime after January 1, 2026, but prior to June 30, 2027. The Consultant shall price this optional deliverable independently as part of their financial reply. The Legislature makes no assurances that this Deliverable will be requested and will not approve expenditures incurred without prior approval.

Briefings: The Consultant, including all senior Consultant team members necessary to
discuss report information, as approved by OPPAGA, may be asked to provide up to
four (4) conference call briefings to the Legislature. The actual number of briefings
and the persons receiving those briefings shall be within the sole discretion of
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individual briefing and the total cost for four briefings should be presented on the
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• Legislative testimony: The Consultant may be asked to appear in Tallahassee, Florida to provide up to two (2) in-person presentations to legislative committees on the Final Report. Compensation for such presentations shall be at a fixed cost which includes the hourly rate proposed by the Consultant for up to two identified persons for these presentations, per hour of time spent in such presentation or in consulting with the OPPAGA contract manager in the city of such presentation during normal business hours, and the Consultant's time preparing for each legislative presentation. This fee shall include all the Consultant's expenses, costs and compensation for such services. Please note that the Legislature will not pay the Consultant for travel time or travel costs. The itemized cost of each presentation and the total cost for two presentations should be presented on the financial reply.

Product C

Actuarial Analysis of Milliman, Inc.'s Medicaid Capitation Rate-Setting Under Contract MED215

Deliverable C1—Project Commencement: Within **three** business days of contract execution, the Consultant must contact **the Agency for Healthcare Administration to initiate the project.**

Deliverable C2 – Routine Updates: At a minimum, the Project Manager must provide the LCM with **bi-weekly** updates on the progress of fieldwork and tentative findings. The Project Manager must attend these meetings but may include other project staff as deemed necessary to provide complete information on the status of the review. These updates will occur remotely throughout the Contract period at a mutually agreed upon time and will include discussion of potential findings and concerns. Additional meetings may be held at the request of the LCM.

Deliverable C3—Draft Report: The Consultant must submit an electronic version of the Draft Report to the LCM no later than **May 1, 2026**. This Draft Report must address the research task in the Scope of Work proposed for inclusion in the Final Report with supporting evidence, and the Consultant's proposed recommendations. The Draft Report should also include all charts, graphs and exhibits that are proposed for inclusion in the Final Report. The Draft Report also must include an executive summary that clearly and succinctly describes the findings and conclusions that will be included in the Final Report. The LCM will provide feedback to the Consultant on the completeness and clarity of presentation of the Draft Report which may require modifications or revisions to ensure that the Legislature's information needs are met.

Deliverable C4—Final Report: The Consultant must submit an electronic version of the Final Report, which the Project Manager has reviewed and approved, to the LCM no later than **June 1**, **2026**.

Optional Deliverable C5—Briefings and Legislative Testimony: Following receipt and approval of the Draft Report, the LCM may, at the complete and sole discretion of OPPAGA, ask the Consultant in writing, to provide briefings and/or legislative testimony. If requested, this testimony would occur sometime after January 1, 2026, but prior to June 30, 2027. The Consultant shall price this optional deliverable independently as part of their financial reply. The Legislature makes no assurances that this Deliverable will be requested and will not approve expenditures incurred without prior approval.

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