



December 8, 2020

Dear Team:

Pursuant to Title 74, Section 589 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the Oklahoma State Department of Health (“OSDH”) is providing notice to OSDH employees of the intent to consider private sector alternatives to the management of the Oklahoma Pandemic Center for Innovation and Excellence (“OPCIE”), the Public Health Laboratory (“Public Health Lab”), and related facilities that will be located in Stillwater, Oklahoma. This consideration will include the potential privatization of some functions, programs, services, units and/or divisions of the agency.

OSDH employees may submit alternative proposals for improving the operations, efficiency, or organization of the OPCIE and the Public Health Lab. Submissions may be made via email to GeneralCounsel@health.ok.gov.

Upon request, OSDH will provide information about the delivery of services to employees as they develop alternative proposals to be considered. The information will include revenue expenditure data; wage and salary data; an inventory of the supplies, equipment, and facilities; and cost analysis performed by OSDH.

Proposals submitted by employees will remain confidential during the evaluation period. They will be considered simultaneously with nonemployee proposals pursuant to Title 74, Section 589 of the Oklahoma Statutes. All employees must submit their proposal on or before Friday, December 11, 2020, in order to be evaluated simultaneously with the nonemployee bids.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Frye", is written in a cursive style.

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