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SECTION 1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 BACKGROUND

The Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA or Agency) is adapting to the changing landscape of healthcare administration and increased use of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Medicaid Information Technology Architecture (MITA) to improve the administration and operation of the Florida Medicaid Enterprise. The current Florida Medicaid Enterprise is complex; it includes services, business processes, data management and processes, technical processes within the Agency, and interconnections and touchpoints with systems necessary for administration of the Florida Medicaid program that reside outside the Agency. The future of the Florida Medicaid Enterprise integration is to allow the Agency to secure services that can interoperate and communicate without relying on a common platform or technology.

The Florida Medicaid Management Information System (FMMIS) has historically been the central system within the Florida Medicaid Enterprise; functioning as the single, integrated system for claims processing and information retrieval. As the Medicaid program has grown more complex, the systems needed to support the Florida Medicaid Enterprise have grown in number and complexity.

The Medicaid Enterprise System (MES) Procurement Project was re-named Florida Health Care Connections (FX) in the summer of 2018. FX is a multi-year transformation to modernize the current Medicaid technology using a modular approach, while simultaneously improving overall Agency functionality and building better connections to other data sources and programs.

1.2 PURPOSE

The purpose of the *O-1: SEAS Management Plan (SMP)* is to document the approach the North Highland (SEAS) Vendor shall use to manage the requirements of Contract MED191 and all associated task orders and document the processes and procedures for providing strategic enterprise advisory services, while complying with the standards, rules, and oversight as listed in Section 1.3 below and referenced throughout. This document speaks to specific contract requirements, which role is responsible for delivering those requirements, and if not contained within the separate deliverables, the process for how those requirements shall be satisfied and where they can be found.

1.3 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS

This document references Agency-approved FX Standards (hereafter Standards) found in the FX Projects Repository (FXPR) at FX HUB > Standards and Plans, to which the SEAS Vendor shall adhere. This document and the Standards are complemented by several process definitions that detail how various administrative, program, project, and technical processes shall be performed.



The following documents were used as inputs to the SMP:

- Project Management Institute, Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK®) 6th Edition
- Project Management Institute, Standard for Program Management, Fourth Edition
- Project Management Institute, Standard for Portfolio Management, Fourth Edition
- Project Management Institute, Practice Standard for Scheduling, Third Edition
- The Department of Management Services requirements, including the Florida Information Technology Project Management and Oversight Standards described in Florida Administrative Rule 60GG-1.001 through 60GG-1.009, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), the Florida Cybersecurity Standards described in Florida Administrative Rule 60GG-2.001 through 60GG-2.006, F.A.C., and the Information Technology Architecture Standards for Identity Management described in Florida Administrative Rule 60GG-5.001 through 60GG-5.003, F.A.C.
- SEAS Contract MED191, including all amendments to the contract and subsequent SEAS Task Orders
- Invitation to Negotiate (ITN) 001-16/157, Strategic Enterprise Advisory Services (SEAS)
- P-2: FX Project Management Standards
- S-4: Strategic Project Portfolio Management Plan
- FX Enterprise Program Management Office (FX EPgMO) Charter and Program Management Plan (O-2)
- FX Project Delivery Assurance process definition
- FX Artifact Management Standards (AMS)

1.4 SCOPE STATEMENT

The scope of the SMP consists of procedures and guidelines from the Agency, the Project Management Institute (PMI), the Department of Management Services (DMS), and CMS, to establish the project management approach, processes, and controls to manage the Strategic Enterprise Advisory Services work effort. **Exhibit 1-1: Scope of Services** maps the contract requirements for the SMP to the sections of this document where they are addressed. Listed scope may be adjusted via task orders issued subsequent to approval of SEAS Contract MED191.



MED191 CONTRACT REQUIREMENT – SCOPE OF SERVICES, SECTION I	SEAS MANAGEMENT PLAN SECTION
1.a. Develop and document its approach to managing the requirements of this contract. Develop and document processes and procedures for providing strategic enterprise advisory services.	Section 1 - Section 8
1.b. Develop and document processes and procedures for the following: 1) Performing professional project management in accordance to PMI standards.	Section 3: Project Management Approach
2) Develop and document and comply with DMS (formerly AST) requirements for this contract.	Section 6.3.1: DMS Oversight
3) Maintain independence and objectivity and adhering to the conflict of interest requirements.	Section 7: Conflict of Interest
4) Comply with the Agency's IV&V Vendor's requirements, including submitting the Vendor's deliverables and work products to the Agency's IV&V Vendor for review.	Section 6.3.2: Independent Verification and Validation
5) Address any documented findings and recommendations found within the Agency's IV&V Vendor's monthly Program Executive Status Report.	Section 6.3.2: Independent Verification and Validation
6) Develop processes and procedures for assessing and documenting lessons learned and recommendations on a scheduled basis.	Section 4.3.2: Performance Improvement
7) Develop processes and procedures for developing and documenting budgetary documents	Section 8: Budgeting Support
2.a. Vendor shall designate the individual(s) responsible for high-level Quality Assurance (QA) activities.	Section 4 - Quality Assurance
2.b. Vendor shall establish, maintain, and submit written internal QA Plan for meeting the service and deliverable requirements of this contract.	Section 4.1 - Section 4.3
2.c. Vendor QA Plan shall incorporate quality review procedures that document QA review steps.	Section 5.2: Deliverable Review and Acceptance
2.d. Vendor's QA Plan shall incorporate escalation procedures for risks and issues	Section 5.2: Deliverable Review and Acceptance
2.e. Vendor's QA Plan shall incorporate performance improvement processes.	Section 4.3.2: Performance Improvement
2.f. Each deliverable shall be approved in accordance to the QA Plan.	Section 5.2: Deliverable Review and Acceptance
3.a. The Vendor shall perform deliverable management for each deliverable.	Section 5: Deliverable Management



MED191 CONTRACT REQUIREMENT – SCOPE OF SERVICES, SECTION I	SEAS MANAGEMENT PLAN SECTION
3.b. The Vendor shall develop and submit Deliverable Expectations Document (DED), to include the Vendor's proposed format and content, within five (5) business days of the Agency's approval to commence work on deliverable.	Section 5: Deliverable Management
3.e. The Vendor shall utilize and maintain the Agency's SharePoint repository for document management for deliverables and work products.	Section 5: Deliverable Management

Exhibit 1-1: Scope of Services



SECTION 2 ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The SEAS Vendor is responsible for conducting its work in accordance with this SMP.

The table in **Exhibit 2-1: Roles and Responsibilities** below depicts the leadership roles and responsibilities required for the execution of the SMP.

ROLE	RESPONSIBILITY
North Highland Client Executive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Builds and maintains relationships with key Agency personnel ▪ Confirms Agency is satisfied with the products and services delivered by the SEAS Vendor ▪ Accountable for the work of the SEAS Vendor team ▪ Accountable for contract execution and all resource management ▪ Serves as a top tier of escalation for conflict resolution
SEAS Director (Key Role)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Act as the main point of contact with the Agency and maintains operational, day-to-day decision-making authority for the SEAS Vendor ▪ Develop a partnership with the Agency as a trusted advisor by understanding the objectives of Florida Health Care Connections (FX) and supporting an ongoing, two-way communication regarding technology strategies, priorities, and governance ▪ Manage SEAS Vendor staff including staffing levels, hiring, training, assignments, performance evaluations, and issue resolution ▪ Manage the activities of SEAS Vendor key staff ▪ Ensure the quality and timeliness of all deliverables, documentation, and reports as described in SEAS Contract MED191 ▪ (SEAS Director or designee) Submit all SEAS Vendor artifacts, to include deliverables and work products, to the Agency for review and acceptance
SEAS Strategic Project Manager / Programmatic Advisor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Advise on completion and performance of deliverable and service requirements described in Section D., Strategic Advisory Services Domain; Section E., Programmatic Advisory Services Domain; Section F., Technical Advisory Services Domain ▪ Identify staffing levels and direct additional Vendor staff to complete the deliverables, tasks, and services described
SEAS Business / Technical Project Manager / Enterprise Architect (Key Role)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lead and manage completion and performance of deliverables and services described in Section F., Technical Advisory Services Domain ▪ Serve as the Medicaid Enterprise Systems Architect ▪ Identify staffing levels and direct additional Vendor staff to accomplish the deliverables, tasks, and services described in Section F., Technical Advisory Services Domain ▪ Support the translation of strategic business objectives and processes to technical solutions, and technical solutions to strategic business objectives and processes ▪ Understand, analyze, and solve highly complex technical problems involving relational databases, systems integration, interoperability, and data repository models ▪ Ensure that any additional technical advisory services staff the Vendor assigns to complete requirements under this Contract meet the qualifications needed for the work to which they are assigned



ROLE	RESPONSIBILITY
SEAS Programmatic Project Manager / Portfolio Manager (Key Role)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lead and manage completion and performance of deliverables and services described in Section E., Programmatic Advisory Services Domain ▪ Identify staffing levels and direct additional Vendor staff to accomplish the Programmatic Domain deliverables, tasks, and services as described in Section E., Programmatic Advisory Services Domain ▪ Ensure that any additional programmatic services staff the Vendor assigns to complete requirements under this Contract meet the qualifications needed for the work to which they are assigned
FX EPgMO Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lead and manage completion and performance of FX EPgMO deliverable and services requirements described in SEAS Contract MED191, Section E.2., Programmatic Advisory Services Domain, Project and Program Management, and those activities elaborated in subsequent task orders ▪ Responsible for the operation of the FX EPgMO and its compliance to the <i>FX EPgMO Charter and Program Management Plan (O-2)</i> and <i>P-2: FX Project Management Standards</i> ▪ Verifies FX Projects are managed in accordance with approved standards ▪ Mentor EPgMO staff and project managers
SEAS Delivery Assurance Professional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Partner with project managers to proactively identify and resolve improvement opportunities, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Monitor project performance ○ Monitor project-level CRAIDL for proper statement of items and monitoring for timely disposition of CRAIDL items ○ Identify and facilitate the resolution of questions/concerns with schedules and resource allocations ○ Mentor on and monitor the application of the <i>P-2: FX Project Management Standards</i>, process definitions, and templates ○ Facilitate the escalation of potential impacts to the program from the project-level verticals
FX EPgMO QA Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proofreads artifacts for grammar and reviews for alignment to the AMS and the FX Program Style and Writing Guide. May also consider alignment to FX and industry standards ▪ Measures artifact quality to improve future performance which may take the form of training, process changes, or revisions to templates or standards

Exhibit 2-1: Roles and Responsibilities



SECTION 3 PROJECT MANAGEMENT APPROACH

This section provides an overview of the project management approach the FX EPgMO Team and SEAS Delivery Assurance professionals employ to successfully meet the objectives of projects supported by the SEAS Vendor.

3.1 PROJECT GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The SEAS Vendor approaches projects based on three guiding principles:

- Implement standardized and effective project management processes
- Employ the right project management tools and techniques commensurate with the risk and complexity of the project
- Utilize standards identified in the contract and promote a culture of continuous improvement

3.2 PROJECT MANAGEMENT STANDARDS AND PROCESSES

The SEAS Vendor, as directed by SEAS Contract MED191, shall provide professional services that are both operational and project delivery in focus. The SEAS Vendor shall execute approved project processes necessary to achieve SEAS Management services requirements. Those activities are elaborated in other SEAS Vendor deliverables (*P-2: FX Project Management Standards*, *S-4: Strategic Project Portfolio Management Plan*, and *FX EPgMO Charter and Program Management Plan (O-2)*), which are based on the standards listed in **Exhibit 3-1: Table of Standards** below.

STANDARD NAME	OBJECTIVE	SOURCE	OWNING ORGANIZATION
The Standard for Portfolio Management, Fourth Edition	The purpose of this guide is to provide guidance on principals, practices, and activities that are generally recognized to support good portfolio management	https://www.pmi.org/pmbok-guide-standards/foundational/standard-for-portfolio-management/fourth-edition	Project Management Institute
The Standard for Program Management, Fourth Edition	The purpose of this guide is to provide guidance on principals, practices, and activities that are generally recognized to support good program management	https://www.pmi.org/pmbok-guide-standards/foundational/program-management	Project Management Institute
Project Management, Body of Knowledge, Sixth Edition	The purposed of this guide is to provide guidance on practices and process that are generally recognized to support good project management	https://www.pmi.org/pmbok-guide-standards/foundational/pmbok	Project Management Institute



STANDARD NAME	OBJECTIVE	SOURCE	OWNING ORGANIZATION
Practice Standard for Scheduling, Third Edition	The purpose of this guide is to provide the framework to create, manage, and maintain schedules in a project environment	https://www.pmi.org/pmbok-guide-standards/framework/practice-standard-scheduling-3rdedition	Project Management Institute
Florida Information Technology Project Management and Oversight Standards described in Florida Administrative Rule 60GG-1.001 through 60GG-1.009, F.A.C.	The purpose of these rules is to provide the project management standards for use by State agencies when implementing IT Projects	https://www.firules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=60GG-1	Department of Management Services

Exhibit 3-1: Table of Standards



SECTION 4 QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

4.1 OVERVIEW

This Quality Assurance Plan identifies the approach the SEAS Vendor project teams shall use to assure quality products and services are delivered. This plan also describes the responsibilities and authority for accomplishing quality standards and identifies the required coordination of quality management with other SEAS Vendor project areas. To facilitate consistent high-quality products and services, the SEAS Vendor provides sufficient staffing with staff who have the appropriate level of experience and skill sets, as needed. The SEAS Vendor employs team leads to mentor team members, as well as a leadership team that coordinates effort across workstreams. The quality tools for artifacts and schedules are used to identify training opportunities in accordance with the AMS and the schedule management process definitions.

4.2 QUALITY PLANNING

Quality management begins with quality planning, which includes identifying and developing standards relevant to a given project and identifying how to satisfy those standards. Outputs of Quality Planning are the Quality Assurance Plan, quality metrics, quality checklists, and process improvements.

The FX EPgMO (managed by the SEAS Vendor) shall verify a Project Management Plan (PMP) is completed for each project. Included in the FX standard PMP template is the Quality Management Plan, which project teams shall complete.

The FX EPgMO has developed project management standards including performance standards, style guides, quality checklists, and templates all to ensure that FX Project Teams provide quality work. The FX EPgMO QA Coordinator, in consultation with Subject Matter Experts (SMEs), develops, maintains, and promotes quality management standards and processes, and measures quality to improve future performance in accordance with the *Quality Management Standards* (Section 4) of the AMS.

For FX Program, Portfolio, and project delivery assurance activities, the SEAS Vendor embraces and adheres to the associated Project Management Institute (PMI) standards referenced in Section 1.3 *Referenced Documents* above.

The SEAS Vendor's Business Analysts Team embraces and adheres to the *T-7: Design and Implementation Management Standards* and the following industry standards:

- International Institute of Business Analysis (IIBA)
- Project Management Institute, PMBOK® *Business Analysis for Practitioners: A Practice Guide*



The SEAS Vendor's Technology Team embraces and adheres to the *T-6: Technology Standards* and applicable Agency and industry technology and security standards such as, but not limited to, the following:

- AHCA Division of Information Technology Strategic Plan (Fiscal Years 2021-2023)
- MITA 3.0 – Medicaid Information Technology Architecture (MITA) 3.0 is the latest major release of MITA, a Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) initiative intended to foster integrated business and IT transformation across the Medicaid enterprise to improve the administration of the Medicaid program
- NIST 800-53 – these are security and privacy controls published by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)
- HIPAA – Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) is a federal law created in 1996 to protect sensitive patient health information from being disclosed without the patient's knowledge or consent
- Section 508 Standards – requires federal agencies to make their technology, online training, and websites accessible for everyone

4.3 QUALITY ASSURANCE

In accordance with the AMS, and as defined in the *FX EPgMO Charter and Program Management Plan (O-2)*, the SEAS Vendor shall perform quality assurance reviews and audits of selected project deliverables, products, services, and logs.

The SEAS Vendor, as directed by the Agency, shall monitor the deliverable review process to validate whether deliverables follow the process, feedback is provided in a timely manner, and either incorporated into the deliverable or resolved in another manner acceptable to the Agency and its stakeholders.

4.3.1 QUALITY CONTROL

Quality Control is the process of reviewing the results of Quality Assurance activities and audits, identifying risks or issues, performing root cause analysis where appropriate, and applying corrective actions and process improvements to the project's products, services, and processes to validate the requirements of the Agency and its stakeholders are met. The SEAS Vendor shall perform these activities as identified in the *FX EPgMO Charter and Program Management Plan (O-2)*, the AMS, and following appropriate process definitions.

4.3.2 PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT

The SEAS Vendor understands the importance of documenting accurate and complete lessons learned. Project team members shall capture lessons learned through collaboration, communication, and process feedback throughout the life of a project. This feedback helps the SEAS Vendor leadership and other project teams act upon the lessons learned to improve processes and optimize efficiency for future efforts. The FX EPgMO, according to the *FX*



EPgMO Charter and Program Management Plan (O-2), shall review the Lessons Learned Log (located in the FXPR at SEAS > SEAS Organization > Project Tracking > Lessons Learned Log) on a periodic basis as defined in the *Lessons Learned Process Definition*.

The SEAS Vendor takes into consideration observations made by the Independent Verification and Validation (IV&V) Vendor and takes appropriate action(s) either independently or at the direction of the Agency.



SECTION 5 DELIVERABLE MANAGEMENT

The SEAS Vendor shall adhere to the AMS for the planning, development, naming, management, submission, review, acceptance, and storage of project deliverables.



SECTION 6 CONTRACT MANAGEMENT

6.1 OVERVIEW

This section describes how the SEAS Vendor delivers the operational and project delivery assurance activities specified in the SEAS Contract MED191 and all subsequent task orders in order to conduct strategic, programmatic, and technical advisory services, portfolio and program management services, ongoing governance support, and procurement support. This section elaborates on items identified in the SEAS Contract MED191 and subsequent task orders. In addition, as required in the contract, the SMP explains how the SEAS Vendor shall manage compliance to the approved FX standards, plans, and guidelines. Finally, this section explains how the SEAS Vendor shall develop subsequent task orders, what is included in the task orders, the process of reviewing and approving task orders, and as directed by the SEAS Vendor's final Task Order, execute the SEAS Turnover Plan.

6.2 TASK ORDER WORK PRODUCTS AND DELIVERABLES

The SEAS task orders describe the work products, deliverables, and deliverable updates the SEAS Vendor shall produce in the fiscal year or contractual timeframe. The SEAS Vendor shall produce, or update contract deliverables identified under the current task order.

6.2.1 MONTHLY DOCUMENTATION

The SEAS Vendor shall provide written report of work performed by SEAS Vendor resources towards work approved in the current task order. The written report will include:

- Identification number and description of task order(s) completed by the vendor during the prior month
- Identification number and description of partially completed task orders by the vendor during the prior month
- Electronic task order report in a format agreed upon with the Agency for each vendor staff person that includes name, total hours performed towards the completion of each approved task order, task order identification number and name, and hourly rate for all approved task orders completed and partially completed by the vendor during the prior month. The electronic report shall also include a summary of total hours for each approved task order, summary of task orders completed, and task orders partially completed with percent complete during the prior month
- Specific to the current task order, a summary of progression against the Summary of Service Tasks described within each domain (Strategic, Programmatic, and Technical) shall be provided as part of the Monthly Documentation



6.2.2 ANNUAL DELIVERABLE REFRESH

Conducted at the direction of the Agency, the annual deliverable refresh is based on deliverable contract requirements and is in accordance with the deliverable review process described in the AMS. Artifacts subject to annual refresh shall be identified in the task order for the fiscal year of the refresh.

6.2.3 WORK PRODUCTS

The SEAS Vendor shall produce the work products authorized via approved task orders.

6.2.4 HUMAN RESOURCE AND STAFF MANAGEMENT PLAN

The SEAS Human Resource and Staff Management Plan (HRSMP), found in the FXPR (located at SEAS > Documents > SEAS PMO > Work Products > WP02 – HRSMP), describes the procedures to be followed during the contract to plan and control SEAS Vendor staffing. The HRSMP describes the staffing processes for the SEAS Contract. Each section provides SEAS Vendor leadership with key information to make informed staffing decisions.

The processes and tools to manage the recruitment, onboarding, and off-boarding of SEAS Vendor resources providing services against the SEAS Contract MED191 includes the following:

- Staff organizational chart identifying staff by name, position title, and staff position
- Roles, responsibilities, and authority for staff
- Staff acquisition and release dates
- Resource calendars
- Staff physical location, working hours, and percentage of work time allocated to the contract
- Staff acquisition plan
- Plan for identification, tracking and resolution of staffing level deficiencies, and reporting staffing level deficiencies to the Agency
- Description of the automated tool for tracking and reporting staff allocation and hours across task orders
- Training requirements
- Regulations, standards, and policy compliance requirements

6.2.5 SEAS OPERATIONAL SCHEDULE

The SEAS Vendor develops and maintains a work product or operational schedule based upon Agency-approved SEAS Vendor task orders. The SEAS Operational Schedule includes non-project activities as directed by the Agency, including items such as standards updates; project



activities are included in project-specific schedules. The SEAS Operational Schedule is maintained on a biweekly basis and published in the Microsoft Project Web Application (PWA).

6.2.6 FX PROJECTS REPOSITORY (FXPR)

The Agency is responsible for design, development, testing, and implementation of material changes to the FXPR. The SEAS Vendor will use the FXPR in accordance with the AMS.

6.3 CONTRACT COMPLIANCE

As detailed in **Exhibit 2-1: Roles and Responsibilities**, the SEAS Vendor leadership team is accountable for the SEAS Vendor properly executing the requirements described in the SEAS Contract MED191 and subsequent task orders. Included in the requirements is adherence to state and federal rules and regulations:

- 48 CFR 9.505: The general rules in 9.505-1 through 9.505-4 prescribe limitations on contracting as the means of avoiding, neutralizing, or mitigating organizational conflicts of interest that might otherwise exist in the stated situations.
- Section 287.057(17), Florida Statutes (F.S.): The competitive solicitation processes authorized in this section shall be used for procurement of commodities or contractual services in excess of the threshold amount provided for category two (2) in Section 287.017, F.S.
- DMS requirements:
 - › Florida Information Technology Project Management and Oversight Standards described in Florida Administrative Rule 60GG-1.001 through 60GG-1.009, F.A.C.
 - › The Florida Cybersecurity Standards described in Florida Administrative Rule 60GG-2.001 through 60GG-2.006, F.A.C.
 - › The Information Technology Architecture Standards for Identity Management described in Florida Administrative Rule 60GG-5.001 through 60GG-5.003, F.A.C.
- 45 CFR 95.626: Independent Verification and Validation of the state's system development efforts which may be required to minimize risk of Advance Planning Documents (APD) projects missing critical milestones, failure, major delay, cost overrun, missing statutory and regulatory deadlines, or need for total system redesign.

6.3.1 DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES (DMS) OVERSIGHT

Appointed by the Florida Legislature, DMS establishes information technology policy for the management of the state's information technology resources.



The SEAS Vendor maintains DMS compliance as required in the rules listed above through the following activities:

- Providing required documentation supporting the Agency's participation in DMS oversight activities
- Preparing and maintaining project artifacts in accordance with DMS administrative rules
- Verifying subcontractors to the SEAS Vendor adhere to DMS requirements

6.3.2 INDEPENDENT VERIFICATION AND VALIDATION (IV&V)

Pursuant to Section I.1. SEAS Management Plan (subsection b (4)) of MED191, the SEAS Vendor shall comply with IV&V Vendor requirements in accordance with direction provided by the Agency. The IV&V Vendor shall perform verification and validation assessments of the SEAS Vendor activities including:

- Artifact Review
- Contract compliance
- Executing to approved documented standards, plans, strategies, or techniques

It is expected the IV&V Vendor shall communicate exclusively through the AHCA IV&V Contract Manager, the AHCA SEAS Contract Manager, or FX Director to the SEAS Director, or their designees, to facilitate the required IV&V activities. Any artifact reviews or monthly assessment reports performed by the IV&V Vendor regarding the SEAS Vendor activities will be assessed by the Agency. Actionable items shall be addressed by the SEAS Vendor at the request of the Agency.

Actionable items found in the IV&V monthly report to be addressed by the SEAS Vendor shall be logged by the Agency in the Action Items Log of the FXPR, assigned to the SEAS Vendor, and denoted as a corrective action in the description, if it requires a Corrective Action Plan (CAP). The SEAS Director (or designee) shall address the corrective action. Otherwise, if the SEAS Vendor has questions or concerns about any IV&V finding, an issue shall be recorded in the Issue Log, and the standard issue resolution process shall be followed.

Further, the Agency will make deliverables and work products available to the IV&V Vendor for review, including initial deliverables and any deliverables requested under an approved Task Order. The SEAS Vendor shall include the IV&V Vendor in meetings as defined in the FX Meeting and Email Standards.

6.4 CONTRACT ISSUE RESOLUTION

The SEAS Vendor strives to provide the professional services stated in SEAS Contract MED191 according to the standards identified in previous sections. In the event an issue or dispute arises regarding the SEAS Vendor's performance to the contract, or there is a



disagreement in the interpretation of what is required, the SEAS Vendor and the Agency will make all efforts to resolve through a consensual dispute resolution path identified below in **Exhibit 6-1: Path to Resolution**.

PATH TO CONTRACTUAL RESOLUTION	SEAS	AGENCY	DESCRIPTION
Step 1	SEAS Contract Manager	AHCA SEAS Contract Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ When a project team identifies an issue that is contractually based, the Contract Managers meet and attempt to resolve ▪ Contract Managers notify appropriate staff within their respective hierarchy
Step 2	SEAS Director	FX Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Contract issues that cannot be resolved by the Contract Managers are escalated to the respective Directors
Step 3	North Highland Client Lead	AHCA Deputy Secretary's Designee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Contract issues that cannot be resolved by the Directors are escalated to the North Highland Client Lead and the AHCA Deputy Secretary Designee
Step 4	North Highland Client Executive	AHCA Deputy Secretary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Contract issues that cannot be resolved by the Client Lead and the AHCA Deputy Secretary's Designee are escalated to the North Highland Client Executive and the AHCA Deputy Secretary ▪ These parties will determine the path for further escalation, if required

Exhibit 6-1: Path to Resolution

This process varies slightly from the project issue resolution process identified in the FX Project Management Standards. Given the contractual nature of the dispute, the SEAS Vendor and Agency escalation paths may require input beyond the FX Leadership (not to include FX Governance). If the consensual dispute resolution process fails to achieve a consensus outcome, standard external mediation efforts may be required.

6.5 SEAS TURNOVER

In accordance with SEAS Contract MED191, the SEAS Vendor shall document a SEAS Turnover Plan at the request of the Agency. It will conclude the turnover activities within six (6) months after the end of the contract. The following Turnover Requirements, including applicable processes, shall be included in the external turnover plan to be submitted one year prior to contract end:

- Documenting inventory and migrating to an Agency-hosted SharePoint repository for any applicable documentation not stored on an Agency hosted SharePoint repository at the time of turnover, including transferring any paper copies to electronic format for transfer, and shredding all remaining hardcopies
- Resource requirements for turnover and the retention of resources through the end of the contract term
- Off-boarding and onboarding of transitioning resources



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- Process shadowing to accelerate knowledge transfer
 - Documenting skill sets and training needs required for transitioning resources
 - Financial reconciliation of this contract, including liquidated damages, if applicable
 - Project plan and activity list for the turnover activities; and
 - Proposed schedule for the turnover activities



SECTION 7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The SEAS Vendor shall maintain independence and objectivity adhering to the conflict of interest requirements described in 48 CFR 9.505, and section 287.057(17), F.S., throughout the SEAS Contract MED191 term. To maintain independence and objectivity, the SEAS Vendor has developed the following mitigation responses in **Exhibit 7-1: Conflict of Interest Approach** below.

SOURCE FOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST	SEAS VENDOR RESPONSE
<p>Access to information not available to the public and would assist the vendor in obtaining the contract</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SEAS Vendor has signed appropriate non-disclosures ▪ As part of onboarding new staff, education will be provided on 48 CFR 9.505 and section 287.057(17), F.S. ▪ SEAS Vendor has developed the AMS, which requires artifacts to be stored in the FXPR (located at SEAS > Documents > Programmatic Domain > FX Artifact Management Standards (AMS)) ▪ As new procurements are started, the SEAS Vendor shall re-communicate to staff the importance of objectivity in providing advisory services to the Agency ▪ As new procurements are started, the SEAS Vendor shall disclose to the Agency any FX Project Vendor responding to the procurement with whom the SEAS Vendor may partner in the future (if known) ▪ The SEAS Vendor shall utilize the FXPR to verify proper policy and physical controls are in place to safeguard Agency and other vendor data which is not publicly available to other vendors
<p>Source selection information which is relevant to the contract and is not available to all competitors and that would assist the vendor in obtaining the contract</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If any contact is required by the SEAS Vendor with other potential FX Project Vendors, the SEAS Vendor shall work with the AHCA SEAS Contract Manager to determine communication channels and messaging
<p>A person who receives a contract which has not been procured pursuant to subsections (1)-(3) to perform a feasibility study of the potential implementation of a subsequent contract, who participates in the drafting of a solicitation, or who develops a program for future implementation, is not eligible to contract with the Agency for any other contracts dealing with that specific subject matter, and any firm in which such person has any interest is not eligible to receive such contract. However, this prohibition does not prevent a vendor who responds to a request for information from being eligible to contract with an agency.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Based on the current contract, the SEAS Vendor and its sub-contractors are excluded from responding to solicitations it helped draft (other than task orders associated with SEAS Contract MED191) ▪ If potential conflicts are identified, the SEAS Vendor shall develop mitigation plans and secure agreement from the Agency regarding the adequacy of mitigation plans

Exhibit 7-1: Conflict of Interest Approach



SECTION 8 BUDGETING SUPPORT

The SEAS Vendor, as directed by the Agency, shall provide budgetary support to verify FX initiatives operate within budget. This section focuses on the efforts taken by the SEAS Vendor to support the Agency in the development of necessary budget planning documents and the ongoing monitoring of the Spending Plan.

8.1 KEY BUDGET DOCUMENTS

Upon direction of the Agency, the SEAS Vendor shall support the development of the following budget documents related to the SEAS Contract MED191:

- Legislative Budget Requests, including D-3As and Schedule IV-Bs
- Spending Plans
- Advance Planning Documents
- Operational Work Plans

Additionally, the Agency may request the SEAS Vendor support Benefits Realization tracking (e.g., Return on Investment) and quarterly reporting required by the Governor's Office of Policy and Budget for Information Technology projects.

8.2 MONTHLY SPENDING PLAN

The Agency maintains the Spending Plan, which tracks the projected, incurred, and paid costs for all FX projects. The SEAS Vendor performs quality control (QC) on the Monthly Spending Plan output and provides advisement on best practices for financial management.

The Spending Plan includes the following:

- Projected invoice amounts for the SEAS Vendor—and other vendors—for the State Fiscal Year
- Amounts invoiced by the SEAS Vendor—and other vendors
- Total Projected Costs, Total Incurred Costs, Total Paid Amounts, and Variances
- Reasons for any variances provided by the SEAS Vendor—and other vendors—at the time of invoicing