

## IFB 2023-07 Official Responses to Questions

Question Number	IFB Section	Questions Received in Writing	DOCCS' Responses to Questions
1	IFB 2023-07 pages 15-16	Can an annual escalator be built into the agreement equal to 3%, which is a standard annual increase for the staff, and eliminate the current language tied to the CPI?	<i>As stated in the IFB pages 15-16 the CPI increase for years 3-5 of the awarded contract is the method DOCCS will use to provide COLA increases to the awarded vendor.</i>
2	IFB 2023-07 page 32	Can the language to reduce the rate based on the baby census be eliminated? Our doctor provides clinical services no matter what the census is.	<i>As stated in the IFB page 32: "The price for the awarded contract shall be firm when the census is as low as 10 or as high as 22 infants. In the event that the average monthly infant census falls below 10 or rises above 22, and is sustained at that level for a period of four months, the Department reserves the right to negotiate with the contractor to determine an appropriate budget reduction or increase, as applicable. If unable to reach agreement with the contractor on an amended budget, the Department reserves the right to cancel the contract, upon appropriate written notice, and to re-bid." DOCCS reserves these rights.</i>