OUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ADDENDUM

for REQUEST FOR BID (RFB) #100 MHFS for

MENTAL HEALTH EMERGENCY CLINIC (MHEC) MEAL SERVICES

1. Would Burke consider frozen or chilled meals for supper and weekends?

Burke requires only hot meals to be served to our clients for all meals, per meal, each day for the length of the contract.

2. What is the time frame of the contract?

Contract will begin Sunday February 2, 2026 and continue thru February 2, 2028 two (2) years. It may be renewed or extended for an additional two (2) years, providing the terms of the contact are being satisfactorily met. If the contract is renewed or extended, the total length of contact shall not exceed four (4) years.

3. What is the current meal rate?

The current meal rate is \$5.92 per regular meal and \$6.40 for special meal.

4. Are there nutrition specifications that caterer must follow?

Burke will follow the Texas Model for Menu Planning, based on Federal and State Guidelines set by the USDA, Food & Nutrition Service (FNS) and the Department of Health and Human Services. However, Burke will require that each meal include:

ONE (1) MEAT / Served Hot / Three-ounce (3 oz.) servings / Per Meal

(Beef, chicken, turkey, pork, veal, lamb, or fish **only**-no other source of protein shall be considered, i.e.; eggs, tofu, beans, peas etc.)

TWO (2) SIDES (one (1) starch and one (1) vegetable) / Served Hot / Two-Three (2-3) servings / Per Meal (Examples not limited: starch-potatoes, pasta, rice etc. / vegetable-carrots, corn, green beans, peas, beans, etc.

ONE (1) BREAD or one ounce (1 oz.) equivalent serving size (Examples are limited to rolls, cornbread or a slice of bread)

5. What type of packaging are requested for meals?

Burke will require individually packaged meals.