

709 FY2021 Annual HUB Report Supplemental Letter

Texas A&M University Health Science Center continues its commitment to provide consistent good faith efforts toward HUB participation in the university's procurement opportunities. This commitment extends from Texas A&M University System Policies 25.06 and 25.06.01 regarding HUB participation by all System members.

For FY21, Texas A&M Health reports the following efforts:

- September, November – Met with representative from Amazon to discuss implementation of search criteria and preferred vendor status for certified HUB vendors;
- November -- Participated Southwest Minority Supplier Development Council (SMSDC) 2020 Premier Face Time as virtual exhibitor
- November – Participated Houston Minority Supplier Development Council as a virtual exhibitor;
- December – Sponsored Chartwells/Thompson Hospitality Food HUB Vendor Zoom Meeting
- February – Attended HUB Talk Series: Looking Ahead; Sponsored by: Statewide HUB Program and Department of Information Resources
- May – Attended Dallas/Fort Worth Minority Supplier Development Council Virtual HUB Forum
- June – Attended University of Houston Virtual HUB Forum
- June – Attended Southwest Minority Supplier Development Council Virtual Expo

In-person HUB events connecting purchasers, suppliers, contractors and subcontractors remained limited through much of FY21 due to COVID restrictions, however, in-person events are scheduled for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022.

The following is bid data for Texas A&M Health (709) for the period of 9/1/2020 – 8/31/2021: 1132 total bids sent; 411 sent to HUBs (36.3%) with 85 HUB responses (yield rate = 20.7%).

In summary, though COVID-19 has created headwinds due to the specialized nature of purchases required to combat the pandemic, Texas A&M Health continues to maintain its place as a leader in HUB participation among health-related institutions.

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