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**HEALTH SCIENCE
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**SEMI-ANNUAL - SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMARY FOR FY2024
HUB REPORT FOR AGENCY #785**

The University of Texas at Tyler Health Science Center (UTTHSC) has made using Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) a continuing part of all its procurement strategies as demonstrated through its internal and external efforts to procure needed goods and services with HUB firms whenever they are available. UTTHSC provides a supportive outreach and community awareness to promote the HUB program by educating all purchasers on the HUB program through weekly meetings, HUB reports, and hosting HUB vendor presentations. In addition, Purchasing Services actively uses the Central Master Bidders List and its HUB information to make the greatest use of all-discretionary spending.

UTTHSC is a founding member of the Texas Universities HUB Coordinators Alliance (TUHCA) and was the President for FY2005-2006, which brings together the resources and experience of 14 North and Northeast Texas Universities HUB Coordinators to share program information.

As a healthcare and research institution, UTTHSC must contract for goods and services for which there is minimal, or no HUB sources identified such as some medical supplies. UTTHSC has partnered with Ardent, which is a Non-State entity, to form UT Health East Texas, a public-private partnership deemed to serve a public purpose by the UT System Board of Regents. Given this arrangement, a number of these products are now purchased through Ardent using the contracts they hold for medical supplies, such as laboratory, chemicals, blood products, anesthesia, and pharmaceuticals.

UTTHSC supports the minority and women owned business through outreach efforts including participation in vendor fairs and hosting or co-hosting trade shows.

Sincerely,
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