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A draft copy of the RFP is not yet available. The RFP process is one option that we are considering for implementing our requirement that agents and brokers receive their annual Medicare training through a CMS endorsed or approved training program. We are seeking comments and suggestions about alternatives to using the RFP competitive process in the proposed rule set to be published tentatively on September 7, 2010.

We will determine which process to use for implementing our requirement once we have reviewed public comment and finalized the rule. If feedback received from the public suggests that the RFP process is best for implementing the requirement, we would work with the Office of Acquisitions and Grant Management (OAGM) to prepare the RFP package. The package is issued in order to request a technical and business proposal in response to CMS requirements. This document prepared will include: Statement of Work, Schedule of Deliverables, Terms and Conditions, Evaluation Criteria, and Other Supporting Documentation.

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