

(End of clause)

Alternate II (APR 1984). If the successful offeror represents in its offer that it is totally immune from tort liability as a State agency, the Contracting Officer shall substitute the following paragraphs (a) and (b) for paragraphs (a) and (b) of the basic clause:

(a) The Government does not assume any liability to third persons, nor will the Government reimburse the Contractor for its liability to third persons, with respect to loss due to death, bodily injury, or damage to property resulting in any way from the performance of this contract or any subcontract under this contract.

(b) If any suit or action is filed, or if any claim is made against the Contractor, the cost and expense of which may be reimbursable to the Contractor under this contract, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer and promptly furnish copies of all pertinent papers received by the Contractor. The Contractor shall, if Government requires, authorize Government representatives to settle or defend the claim and to represent the Contractor in or take charge of any litigation. The Contractor may, at its own expense, be associated with the Government representatives in any such claims or litigation.

(End of clause)

352.231-70 Salary rate limitation.

As prescribed in *331.101-70*, the Contracting Officer shall insert the following clause:

SALARY RATE LIMITATION (JANUARY 2010)

(a) Pursuant to the current and applicable prior HHS appropriations acts, the Contractor shall not use contract funds to pay the direct salary of an individual at a rate in excess of the Federal Executive Schedule Level I in effect on the date an expense is incurred.

(b) For purposes of the salary rate limitation, the terms “direct salary,” “salary,” and “institutional base salary” have the same meaning and are collectively referred

to as “direct salary” in this clause. An individual’s direct salary is the annual compensation that the Contractor pays for an individual’s direct effort (costs) under the contract. Direct salary excludes any income that an individual may be permitted to earn outside of duties to the Contractor. Direct salary also excludes fringe benefits, overhead, and general and administrative expenses (also referred to as indirect costs or facilities and administrative [F&A] costs).

NOTE: The salary rate limitation does not restrict the salary that an organization may pay an individual working under an HHS contract or order; it merely limits the portion of that salary that may be paid with Federal funds.

(c) The salary rate limitation also applies to individuals under subcontracts. If this is a multiple-year contract or order, it may be subject to unilateral modification by the Contracting Officer to ensure that an individual is not paid at a rate that exceeds the salary rate limitation provision established in the HHS appropriations act in effect when the expense is incurred regardless of the rate initially used to establish contract or order funding.

(d) See the salaries and wages pay tables on the U.S. Office of Personnel Management Web site for Federal Executive Schedule salary levels that apply to the current and prior periods.

(End of clause)

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352.231-71 Pricing of adjustments.

As prescribed in *331.102-70*, the Contracting Officer shall insert the following clause:

PRICING OF ADJUSTMENTS (JANUARY 2001)

When costs are a factor in determination of a contract price adjustment pursuant to the “Changes” clause or any provision of this contract, the applicable cost principles and procedures set forth below shall form the basis for determining such costs:

Principles	Types of organizations
(a) Subpart 31.2 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation	Commercial.
(b) Subpart 31.3 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation	Educational.
(c) Subpart 31.6 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation	State, local, and Federally recognized Indian Tribal governments.
(d) 45 CFR Part 74 Appendix E	Hospitals (performing research and development contracts only).
(e) Subpart 31.7 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation	Other nonprofit organizations.