

## Lantana Awarded National Healthcare Safety Network IDIQ Contract & Task Orders

**East Thetford, VT (November 6, 2017)** – The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) awarded Lantana Consulting Group a five-year indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity (IDIQ) contract and two task orders to support standards-based electronic reporting of healthcare associated infections (HAIs) to the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN). Under the task orders, Lantana will develop, maintain, and implement submission of electronic reports; support harmonization with electronic lab reporting; and provide statistical and vocabulary services to NHSN.

The five-year period of performance will see continued focus on antimicrobial use and resistance surveillance via electronic messaging from healthcare facilities and the introduction of Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR) to complement the current use of the clinical document architecture (CDA).

“This award opens the door to a continued partnership with Lantana,” according to Daniel Pollock, MD, Surveillance Branch Chief in CDC’s Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion (DHQP).

“Lantana continues to provide leadership in the practical implementation of standards-based EHR reporting and we are pleased that we can work with them to extend NHSN for another five years.”

Since 2007, Lantana has worked with NHSN’s infection control subject matter experts (SMEs) to produce clear, implementable national specifications for data reporting. With this contract, Lantana will expand and update the information collected, broaden the types of facilities reporting, reduce the reporting burden, improve coordination among stakeholders, and harmonize data reporting requirements to keep NHSN current and consistent with the most advanced and prevalent data capture, extract, and reporting methods.

“We believe strongly in the mission of the NHSN and are pleased to support this premier example of national reporting from electronic health records, increasing our understanding of HAIs and using that knowledge to promote the safety of our healthcare delivery systems,” added Liora Alschuler, Lantana CEO and founder.

Lantana’s team is dedicated to supporting NHSN and DHQP in using surveillance information to improve safety and promote optimum antimicrobial stewardship and minimizing the reporting burden on providers and contribute to a solid informational basis for healthcare policy and delivery.

The IDIQ has a ceiling of \$15M and the initial Task Orders total \$1.8M. Thirteen Task Orders were issued under the previous five-year IDIQ for a total of \$6M.

### About Lantana

Lantana Consulting Group is a leader in healthcare interoperability strategy and standards development. Lantana works to make health information available across the spectrum of care, supporting safe, effective, affordable healthcare that improves well-being, public health, quality of care, and research.

## About NHSN

NHSN is a government owned web-based information system designed for surveillance of patient and healthcare worker safety, antimicrobial use and resistance, adherence to prevention practices and extend to which core elements of antimicrobial stewardship are used. The principal goals of the NHSN are to improve safety, adherence to prevention practice, and use of antimicrobial stewardship by aggregating, analyzing, providing, and summarizing data for action. To learn more, visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/index.html>