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Health Integrity Keeps \$87 Million Medicare Anti-Fraud Award

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- Watchdog denies AdvanceMed's protest of fraud detection award
- AdvanceMed didn't show that the agency erred in evaluating non-cost factors, GAO says

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Health Integrity LLC will keep an \$87 million task order to detect and deter fraud for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the Government Accountability Office ruled.

Protester AdvanceMed Corp., which submitted a \$79 million offer, failed to show that the agency improperly evaluated non-cost factors — such as scenario responses, staffing, and past performance — before selecting the awardee, the GAO said.

AdvanceMed also couldn't demonstrate that the agency engaged in misleading discussions, the GAO said.

The task order requires supporting the agency's fraud, waste, and abuse detection, deterrence, and prevention activities in its southwestern jurisdiction, the GAO said.

Vinson & Elkins LLP represented AdvanceMed. McCarter & English LLP represented Health Integrity.

The case is AdvanceMed Corp., GAO, B-415360, 12/19/17, decision released 1/5/18.

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