

Request for Project Information



Solicitation Number: MTEC-23-11-Neurotrauma

“Neurotrauma Diagnosis, Monitoring, and Assessment State of Technology Meeting”

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Project Information Paper Due Date: September 14, 2023
Noon Eastern Time

The Medical Technology Enterprise Consortium (MTEC) is excited to post this announcement for a Request for Project Information (RPI) focused on the diagnosis, monitoring, and assessment of Traumatic Brain Injury in support of an upcoming State of the Technology Meeting.

CLINICAL PROBLEM:

Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) is commonly defined as an “alteration of the brain function, or other evidence of brain pathology, caused by an external force.”¹ In military, TBI is characterized as the signature injury of the Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom as 10 - 15% of all veterans experienced at least one TBI during their deployment. In civilians, each year at least 4.8 million people in the United States seek medical care for TBI. Among children, TBI-related injuries account for over 837,000 emergency department visits annually, which include over 16,000 TBI-related hospitalizations, and 2,774 TBI related deaths, as reported in 2020.

Medical community recognized significant gaps in the care of patients with TBI. TBI’s complex pathophysiology is not fully understood, broad defined and outdated classification to mild, moderate and severe TBI significantly hamper our ability to treat TBI patients. Nevertheless, early diagnosis, treatment, monitoring, and maintenance of TBI patients in the acute setting can significantly improve long-term functional outcomes and reduce injury severity.

BACKGROUND ON THE POTENTIAL UPCOMING STATE OF THE TECHNOLOGY MEETING:

Through MTEC, the U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command’s (USAMRDC) Neurotrauma group and the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA) will host a State of Technology meeting focused on neurotrauma in early calendar year 2024. The goal of this meeting is to understand the state of the technology to: **a) better diagnose traumatic brain injury (TBI) at all levels of the continuum of care, b) understand how to monitor patients already diagnosed with TBI, and c) identify new potential products that could be developed into prototypes for the diagnosis, assessment and/monitoring of TBI.**

Examples of specific areas of interest to be addressed at the State of Technology meeting include, but are not limited to, the following items. These areas of interest are **not** listed in order of importance:

- a) Molecular targets for diagnosis of TBI and minimally or non-invasive devices to monitor such markers
- b) Electrophysiological markers of TBI and minimally or non-invasive devices to monitor such markers
- c) Minimally or non-invasive devices to monitor progression of the disease
- d) Artificial intelligence and machine learning to assess endpoints and provide diagnosis and/or treatment guidance
- e) Minimally or non-invasive disruptive tools and methods to integrate novel systems into the continuum of care from front lines to fixed hospitals

Attendees of the State of Technology meeting are expected to bring an understanding of the types of

¹ Menon D.K., Schwab K., Wright D.W., Mass A.I. Position statement: Definition of traumatic brain injury. *Arch. Psyc. Med. Rehabil.* 2010;91:1637–1640. doi: 10.1016/j.apmr.2010.05.017.

minimally or non-invasive TBI diagnosis, monitoring, and assessment technologies, and a willingness to share their personal views on the current states of development including pros/cons/limitations associated with each of the various modalities. Attendees of the meeting will also gain exposure to government agencies, their respective portfolios, and potential funding opportunities relevant to TBI diagnosis, monitoring, and assessment. The intended impact of the State of the Technology meeting is to better inform possible future investments by the United States Government to advance specific technologies poised to address unmet needs in TBI care and transform the delivery of care for military and civilian populations.

The meeting organizing panel will develop a State of the Technology Report with the intent for publication following the meeting. The report will recommend next steps to inform strategic direction by USAMRDC and BARDA to continue to lead progress in this space.

PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT INFORMATION PAPER:

MTEC is seeking input from both MTEC members and the general public (non-member companies) that are developing solutions for detection, diagnosis and treatment of TBI and its short- and long-term sequelae. **We seek input to gauge interest in attendance/technology presentations and to frame the agenda on areas of concerns, unmet needs, products/technology advancements and limitations, and regulatory challenges from all interested parties, including but not limited to, healthcare providers, neuroscientists, product developers, regulatory experts, and reimbursement strategists.**

This RPI contains background material and guidance for the preparation of Project Information Papers to be submitted to MTEC. **MTEC membership is not required for submission of Project Information Paper.**

REQUIREMENTS OF THE PROJECT INFORMATION PAPER:

The intent of this RPI is to understand respondents' interest and technology capabilities in support of the State of the Technology Meeting's area of interest. MTEC is seeking input from both MTEC members and non-members via a project information paper to be considered by the panel. Project information papers will be shared with the reviewers under non-disclosure agreements. The MTEC may invite one or more of those who submit project information papers to participate in, or present to, the organizing panel during their convening.

Project Information Papers may be submitted at any time during the submission period but no later than the due date and time specified on the first page of this RPI using BIDS: <https://ati2.acgcenter.com/ATI2/Portal.nsf/Start?ReadForm>. See **Addendum 2 of this RPI** for further information regarding BIDS registration.

Required Submission Document (1): Submitted via BIDS (5MB or lower per document)

- **Project Information Paper: one Word document (See Addendum 1 of this RPI)**

Project Information Papers should NOT include proprietary or classified information. Information obtained through this RPI may be used to develop the State of the Technology meeting's agenda as well as be included as a component of the final State of the Technology report.

MTEC:

The MTEC mission is to assist the USAMRDC by providing cutting-edge technologies and effective materiel life cycle management to transition medical solutions to industry that protect, treat, and optimize Warfighters' health and performance across the full spectrum of military operations. MTEC is a biomedical technology consortium collaborating with multiple government agencies under a 10-year renewable Other Transaction Agreement (OTA), Agreement No. W81XWH-15-9-0001, with the U.S. Army Medical Research Acquisition Activity (USAMRAA). MTEC is currently recruiting a broad and diverse membership that includes representatives from large businesses, small businesses, "non-traditional" government contractors, academic research institutions and not-for-profit organizations.

POINTS OF CONTACT:

For inquiries, please direct your correspondence to the following contacts:

- Technical and membership questions should be directed to the MTEC Research Analyst, Dr. Seth Tomblyn, Ph.D., seth.tomblyn@ati.org
- All other questions should be directed to the MTEC Chief of Consortium Operations, Ms. Kathy Zolman, kathy.zolman@ati.org

Addendum 1
Military Technology Enterprise Consortium (MTEC)
Neurotrauma Diagnosis, Monitoring, and Assessment State of Technology Meeting
Project Information Template

[2-page limit. 12-point Arial font, smaller font may be used in figures and tables, but must be clearly legible. Single-spaced, single-sided, 8.5 inches x 11 inches. Margins on all sides (top, bottom, left, and right) should be at least 0.5 inch. These project information submissions will be shared with the Sponsor; therefore, all information must be **nonproprietary**. Project Information Paper should be submitted as a Word (*.doc or *.docx) document using the template provided in this RPI.]

Date: [Insert Date of Submission]

Point of Contact: [Insert name, role, organization, email address, phone number]

Answers to the following questions are required:

- 1) Are you interested in attending the State of Technology meeting? Yes or No
- 2) Describe any suggestions on specific areas of interest that align with the overall topic of this State of the Technology meeting.
- 3) Are there any topics for breakout sessions that you would be interested in attending or leading?
- 4) If you have a specific technology that you would like us to consider for presentation at the meeting, please indicate what type of presentation you wish to be considered for in the table below and include a brief narrative on the technology, its state of development, and how it aligns to the objectives.

Technology Objective Areas of Interest	Podium Presentation (Yes/No)	Poster Presentation (Yes/No)	Technology Demonstration (Yes/No)
Molecular targets for diagnosis of TBI and minimally or non-invasive devices to monitor such markers			
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Addendum 2
BIDS Instructions


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Select "Submitter".

Please select the type of account you are registering for:

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- Government Requirement Submitter/Evaluator/AOR – Select this in order to submit requirements, evaluate whitepapers and proposals, and/or make an award. Please note you must be approved before you will be able to access the system.

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- Submitter - Select this in order to submit responses to solicitations.

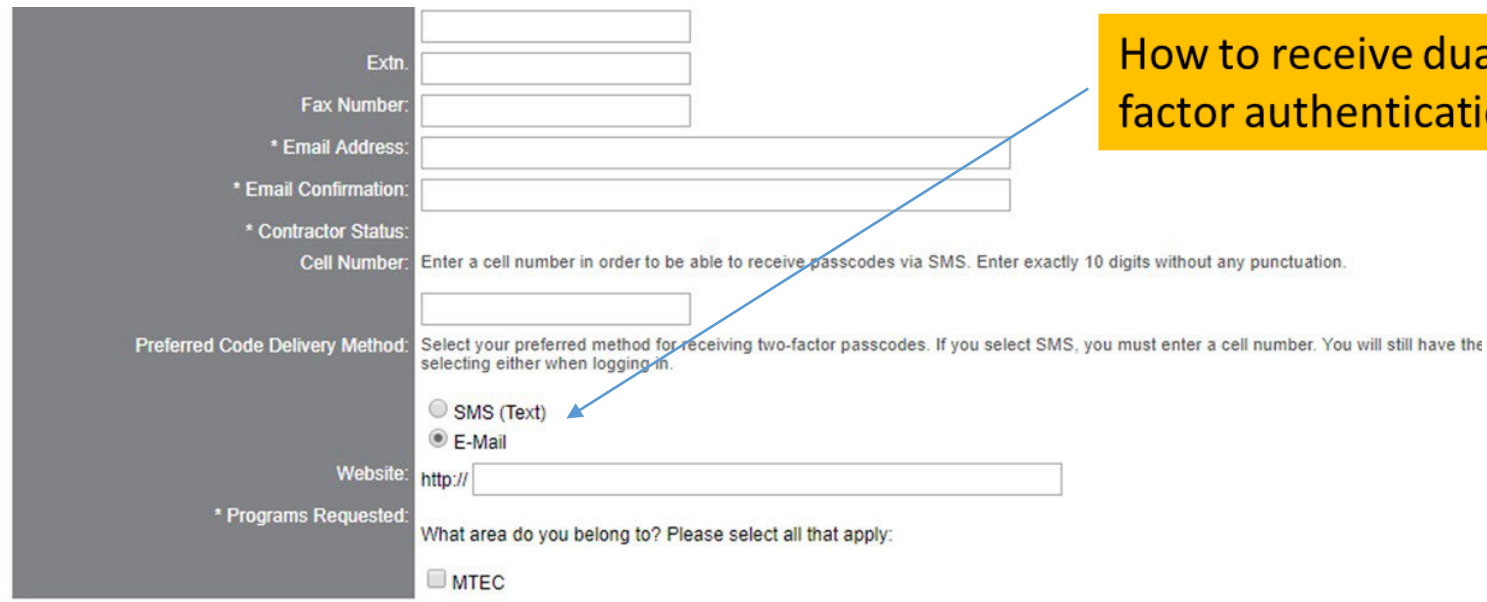
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- Preferred Code Delivery Method: "Select your preferred method for receiving two-factor passcodes. If you select SMS, you must enter a cell number. You will still have the selecting either when logging in."
 - ☐ SMS (Text)
 - ☒ E-Mail
- Website: "http://" followed by a text input
- * Programs Requested: "What area do you belong to? Please select all that apply:"
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Select "Submit Registration" to complete BIDS registration.

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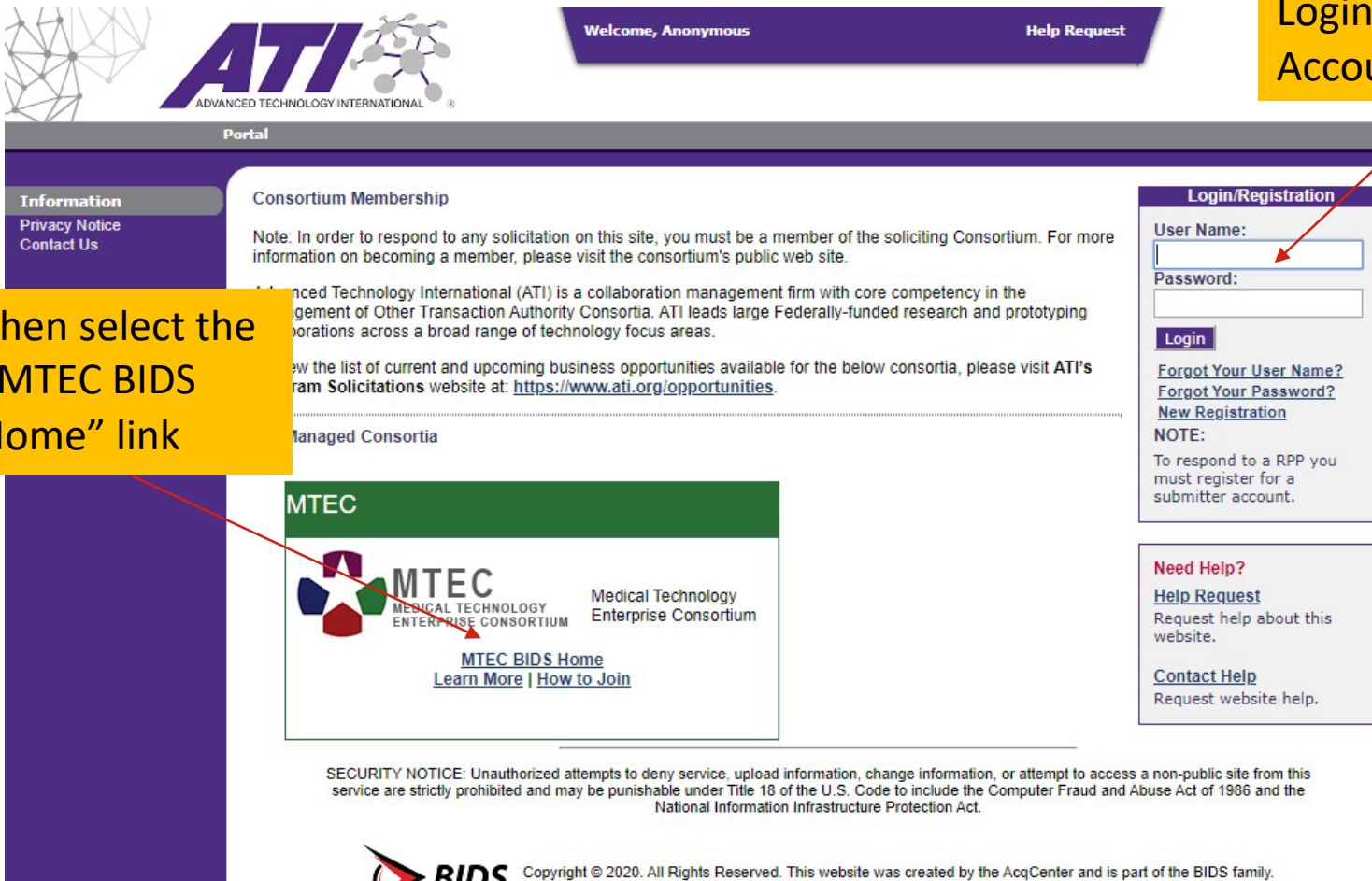
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Navigate to the MTEC BIDS site and login. After login select the “MTEC BIDS Home” link.



The screenshot shows the MTEC BIDS website interface. At the top, there is a purple banner with "Welcome, Anonymous" and a "Help Request" link. Below this is a "Portal" section with a sidebar containing "Information", "Privacy Notice", and "Contact Us". The main content area is titled "Consortium Membership" and includes a note about solicitation requirements. A yellow callout box points to the "MTEC BIDS Home" link in the "Managed Consortia" section. Another yellow callout box points to the "Login" button in the "Login/Registration" section. The "Login/Registration" section also includes fields for "User Name:" and "Password:", a "Login" button, and links for "Forgot Your User Name?", "Forgot Your Password?", and "New Registration". A "Need Help?" section with "Help Request" and "Contact Help" links is also present. At the bottom, there is a "SECURITY NOTICE" and a "BIDS" logo with copyright information.

Then select the “MTEC BIDS Home” link

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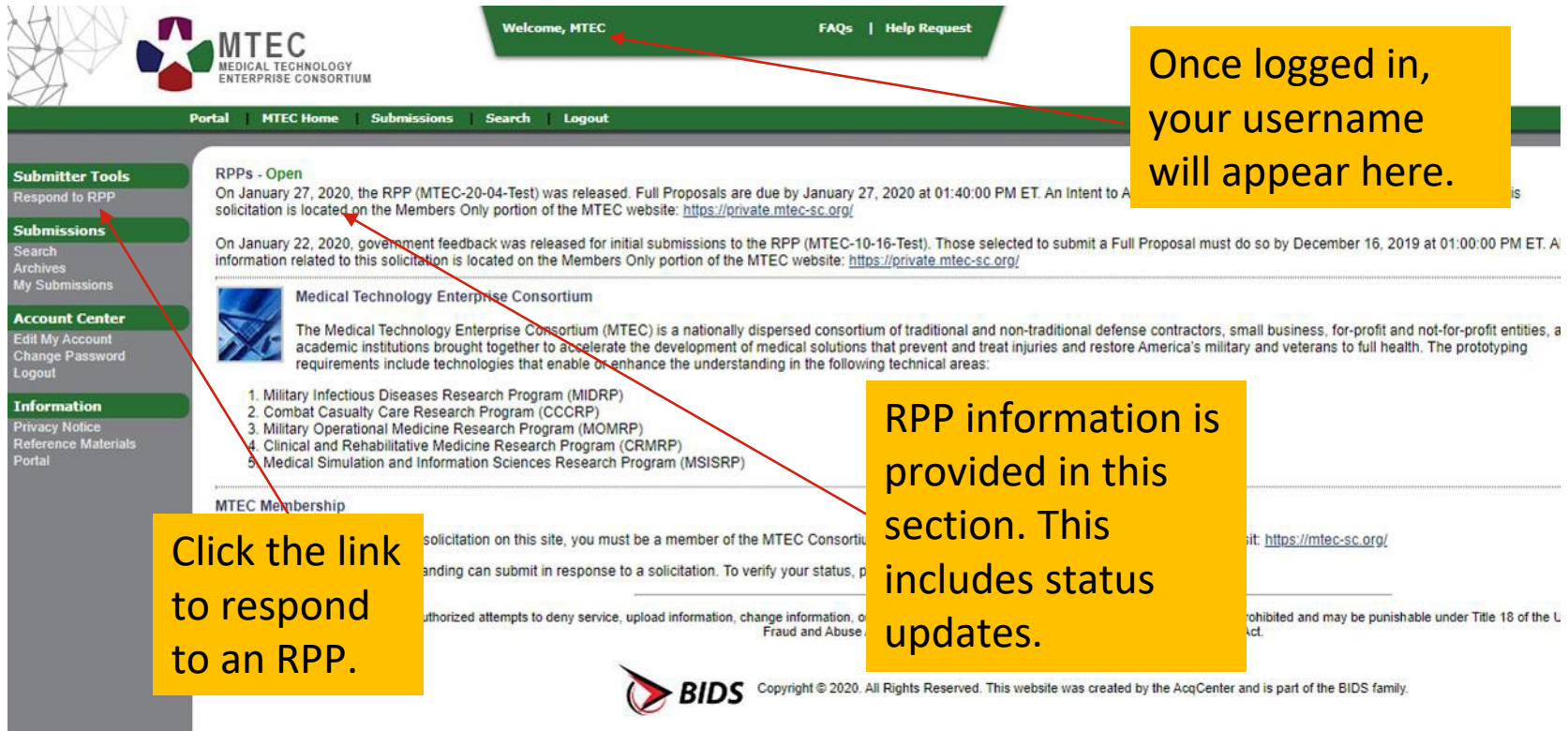
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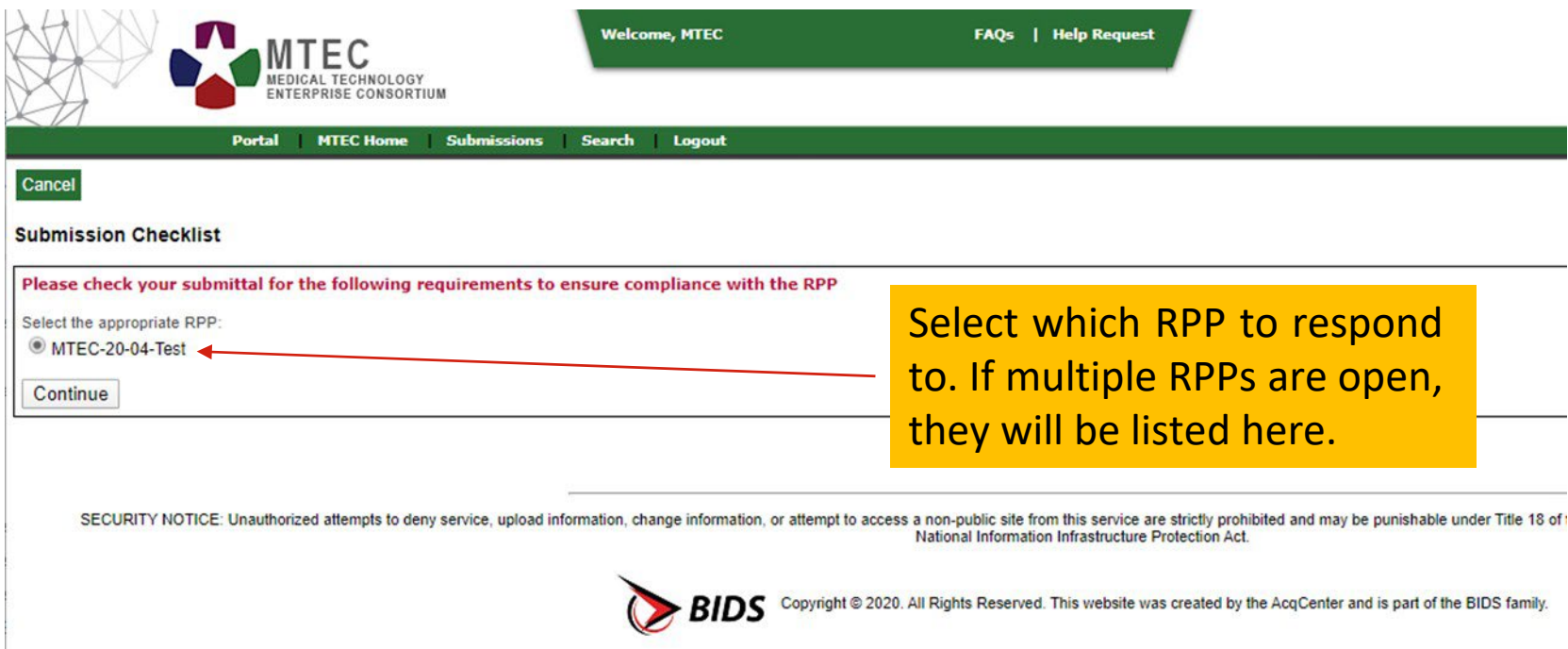
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Click the link to respond to an RPP.

RPP information is provided in this section. This includes status updates.

Select which RPP you will be responding to.



The screenshot shows the MTEC Submission Checklist page. At the top, there is a green header bar with the MTEC logo on the left and navigation links: "Welcome, MTEC", "FAQs", and "Help Request". Below this is a dark green navigation bar with links: "Portal", "MTEC Home", "Submissions", "Search", and "Logout". The main content area has a "Cancel" button at the top left. Below it is the "Submission Checklist" section. A red heading reads: "Please check your submittal for the following requirements to ensure compliance with the RPP". Under this, it says "Select the appropriate RPP:" followed by a radio button selected next to "MTEC-20-04-Test". A red arrow points from a yellow text box to this radio button. A "Continue" button is at the bottom of the checklist section. At the bottom of the page, there is a "SECURITY NOTICE" and the BIDS logo with copyright information.

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