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## **CLI-OJEU-50937 Ultra-High Resolution Human Leukocyte Antigen (HLA) Typing for the Welsh Bone Marrow Donor Registry**

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership-Procurement Services (hosted by Velindre University NHS Trust)

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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UK - United Kingdom

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Main address

<http://nwssp.nhs.wales/ourservices/procurement-services/>

Buyer's address

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221)

## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

## **I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

[www.etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk](http://www.etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk](http://www.etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk)

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

CLI-OJEU-50937 Ultra-High Resolution Human Leukocyte Antigen (HLA) Typing for the Welsh Bone Marrow Donor Registry

Reference number

CLI-OJEU-50937

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85121200 - Medical specialist services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

NWSSP Procurement Services, hosted by Velindre University NHS Trust, and the Welsh Bone Marrow Donor Registry (WBMDR), part of Welsh Blood Service, are seeking to appoint a suitably qualified contractor to perform Ultra-High Resolution HLA Typing.

The Welsh Bone Marrow Donor Registry (WBMDR) recruits volunteer donors via blood sample and cheek swab (buccal swab) to support stem cell transplantation. The WBMDR has different typing and testing requirements depending on sample type:

For whole blood samples: We require Ultra High Resolution (UHR) HLA-A, B, C, DRB1, DQA1, DQB1, DPA1, DPB1 and DRB3/4/5 HLA typing. The provision of CCR5 testing from whole blood samples is desirable.

For cheek swab samples: We require Ultra High Resolution (UHR) HLA-A, B, C, DRB1, DQA1, DQB1, DPA1, DPB1 and DRB3/4/5 HLA typing as well as ABO/Rh and CMV testing.

Please refer to the Specification within the Invitation to Tender document.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £960,000

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85111810 - Blood analysis services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership, Procurement Services hosted by Velindre University NHS Trust is looking to award a contract for Ultra-High Resolution Human Leukocyte Antigen (HLA) Typing for the Welsh Bone Marrow Donor Registry (a division of Welsh Blood Service) by inviting Bidders to tender for this ITT.

The WBMDR oversees the recruitment of unrelated bone marrow volunteer donors and has an agreed target of recruiting 4000 new donors to the WBMDR stem cell donor panel each year.

Bidders must be able to deliver the HLA types of at least 4000 stem cell donors per annum at ultra-high resolution typing level for HLA-A, B, C, DRB1, DQB1 and DPB1 using next generation sequencing approach. Bidders must be able to deliver the HLA types of at least 4,000 stem cell donors per annum at allele level typing level for HLA-A, B, C, DRB1, DQB1 and DPB1 using a next generation sequencing approach (NGS).

Please refer to the Specification found at Appendix A of the ITT document for full information.

The contract will be for an initial period of three (3) years with the option to extend for a further two (2) years (maximum five year contract).

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Core Requirements / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: HLA Result Reporting / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Novel HLA Alleles / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Timescales/Key Performance indicators / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Service Levels & Performance / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Reporting of Results / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 40

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £960,000

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Start date

1 July 2023

End date

30 June 2026

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend contract for a further two (2) years to 30/06/2028

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

As set out in ITT documents

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.1) Information about a particular profession**

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession

Reference to the relevant law, regulation or administrative provision

Must be accredited to the standards set out within the procurement documents

#### **III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2022/S 000-020483](#)

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

7 March 2023

Local time

12:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

7 March 2023

Local time

12:30pm



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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.3) Additional information**

NOTE: The authority is using eTenderwales to carry out this procurement process. To obtain further information record your interest on Sell2Wales at

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search\\_switch.aspx?ID=128474](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search_switch.aspx?ID=128474)

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

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