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Award

AI for Skin Cancer Detection

Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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Scope

Reference

BTH25-319

Description

Provision of autonomous AI software for skin cancer diagnosis.

Contract 1. AI for Skin cancer detection

Supplier

- Skin Analytics Ltd

Contract value

- £764,304 excluding VAT
- £917,165 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029
- Possible extension to 31 March 2031
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

two extensions of 12 months each

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 33124110 - Diagnostic systems
- 85121282 - Dermatology services

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

The Musculoskeletal, Plastics, Breast, and Skin Team at Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (BTHFT) has identified the need for autonomous AI software to aid with skin cancer detection.

A compliant route to market was identified as a direct award under the Procurement Act 2023.

NICE has conditionally recommended only one AI software for autonomous use for direct patient care in cancer pathways, for use in the NHS over a three-year period while further evidence is generated to confirm its clinical and cost-effectiveness. The software is called Deep Ensemble for Recognition of Malignancy (DERM). DERM, has a Class III CE mark and is manufactured by Skin Analytics.

The reasoning for a direct award is that DERM is the only AI solution with the requisite Class III CE mark and NICE conditional recommendation for autonomous use in the suspected skin cancer pathway. No alternative supplier can provide the necessary clearance and compliance for this pathway.

Supplier

Skin Analytics Ltd

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1. AI for Skin cancer detection

Contracting authority

Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PMJZ-5573-HMPZ

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Region: UKE41 - Bradford

Organisation type: Public authority - central government