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## Urinalysis and Urine Pregnancy Testing

Procurement and Logistics Service

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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### Section I: Contracting authority

#### I.1) Name and addresses

Procurement and Logistics Service

77 Boucher Crescent

Belfast

BT12 6HU

#### Email

[palsgransha.sourcing@hscni.net](mailto:palsgransha.sourcing@hscni.net)

#### Country

United Kingdom

#### Region code

UKN - Northern Ireland

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

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

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

## **I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

## **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**

Urinalysis and Urine Pregnancy Testing

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

- 38540000 - Machines and apparatus for testing and measuring

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

Supplies

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

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(PaLS), Business Services Organisation (BSO) on behalf of Health and Social Care Northern Ireland (HSCNI) to seek engagement with the marketplace as PaLS are commencing work for a regional tender for Urinalysis and Urine Pregnancy Testing for the five main hospital Trusts.

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Urinalysis Testing

Lot No

1

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

- 33696500 - Laboratory reagents
- 71900000 - Laboratory services
- 38550000 - Meters

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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## Urinalysis and Urine Pregnancy Testing.

The objectives of the Product Awareness Session are:

- Gain insight on the market possibilities and innovative solutions.
- Gain a better understanding of the feasibility of the HSCNI requirements and the most appropriate procurement approach to follow.
- Gain initial supplier interest in supply and delivery / provision of Urinalysis and Urine Pregnancy Testing. This will include but not limited to:- Urinalysis and Urine Pregnancy

Meters, Test Strips, Barcode Readers and any associated consumables, Quality Control Materials, Software & Software Updates, Printers, Subscription for LearnHSCNI (This is an online learning management training system which enables delivery of digital, classroom and blended learning experiences to employees and external audiences. It helps track compliance across Trust teams by using certification also.) Licencing costs, Servers and External Quality Assessment

- Gain insight into possibility of a “combined” Urinalysis and Urine Pregnancy Meter.
- Gain insight on the Connectivity capability of the Urinalysis and Urine Pregnancy Meter

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Urine Pregnancy Testing

Lot No

2

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

- 38550000 - Meters
- 33696500 - Laboratory reagents
- 71900000 - Laboratory services

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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## **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

1 October 2024

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

The product Awareness Sessions will be an opportunity for suppliers to present to a panel of HSCNI Professionals. The presentation will be scheduled to last approximately 1 hour per presenting supplier and will be required to: Provide a physical demonstration of their current Urinalysis Testing, Provide a physical demonstration of their current Urine Pregnancy Testing, To be available to respond to questions or clarifications from attendees following demonstration and presentation covering all aspects of system functionality and Provide a physical demonstration of their Middleware / Connectivity solution. The overall purpose of this session will be to update, educate and inform attendees of what is currently available in the marketplace and to assist on potential functional characteristics which could form part of the future tender specification. Your participation in any future tender is in no way connected to or dependent upon your attendance at this Product Awareness Session. Product Awareness Session is scheduled to take place in person at PaLs Conference Room, 77 Boucher Crescent, Belfast, BT12 6HU on Tues 23rd April 2024. Specific appointment times will be communicated to each supplier following the closing date of this Declaration of Interest. Only those companies who can confirm their ability to provide, demonstrate and potentially supply Urinalysis and Urine Pregnancy Testing will be invited to attend the Product Awareness Session. Please note: Neither BSO Procurement & Logistics Service nor the Trusts' will be liable for any costs incurred by those companies attending the sessions. What you need to do now: 1)Request a copy of declaration of interest proforma from [palsgransha.sourcing@hscni.net](mailto:palsgransha.sourcing@hscni.net) 2)Complete the Declaration of interest form 3)Submit your completed Declaration of interest form by emailing [palsgransha.sourcing@hscni.net](mailto:palsgransha.sourcing@hscni.net) before the deadline at 12 noon on Thursday 4th April 2024 4)Ensure you will be available to attend on Tuesday 23rd April 2024 and be able to present your solution to the HSCNI Professionals.