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## **C253996 DHSC NHS Human Leucocyte Antigen Typing – Advanced Rapid High Resolution**

Department of Health and Social Care

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-015524

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0457e4

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

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Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

C253996 DHSC NHS Human Leucocyte Antigen Typing – Advanced Rapid High Resolution

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

- 85145000 - Services provided by medical laboratories

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

Services

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

This is a PIN to alert industry suppliers of an upcoming Market Engagement Event held by The Department of Health and Social Care. This is to gain insight into the future role of Technology within Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics (H&I) and to understand whether suppliers are currently doing this or developing. This information will be used to inform Ministers.

This PIN may result in a future procurement for the Provision of HLA typing assays that can produce an HLA type to the 2nd field (minimum) within a 4 hour period. The assay may not be currently available but should be implementable within a five to ten year time frame.

At this time we have no commitment to spend, this is an activity to scope the market only and if a future advert is issued for contract, the value is TBC

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: [2024/S 000-014656](#)

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## Section VII. Changes

### VII.1.2) Text to be corrected in the original notice

Section number

II.2.4.1

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Text

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**Primary Requirement:**

1. Understand the commercial assays capable of rapidly producing a type for HLA-A,B,C,DRB1/3/4/5, DQB1, DQA1, DPB1, DPA1 with a resolution of 2nd field (minimum). Currently the timeframe allocated for deceased donor typing is set at 4 hours, however this timeframe may be slightly relaxed in future, if for example a slightly longer timeframe produces a higher resolution type or clinically relevant information extending beyond the HLA loci is obtained. The ISOU subgroup seeks to understand the assays and technologies which are currently available or will be brought to market in timeframe of 5 years which can fulfil the above remit.

**Secondary Requirements:**

2. Availability of IT solutions for direct transfer of donor HLA typing results, including the use of Histoimmunogenetics Markup Language (HML) where appropriate, which would support the primary requirement.
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Market Engagement Event will take place virtually on Friday 5th July. Please register your interest

here:

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