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Contract

## **Development of Blood Mangement System to Allow Use of Historic Red Cell Phenotyping Results**

NORTHERN IRELAND BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-049d0c

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

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

NORTHERN IRELAND BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE

Belfast City Hospital,Lisburn Road

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKN06 - Belfast

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.nibts.hscni.net](http://www.nibts.hscni.net)

**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**

Development of Blood Management System to Allow Use of Historic Red Cell Phenotyping Results

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

Development of Business critical NIBTS blood management system, Pulse, to facilitate use

of

Historic Red Cell Phenotyping results to reduce the need for repeat donor testing.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £41,150

### **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

Development of Buisness critical NIBTS blood managment system, Pulse, to facilitate use of

Historic Red Cell Phenotyping results to reduce the need for repeat donor testing.

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

Price

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

Options: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:

- protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Explanation:

The overall architecture of the system is based on Itanium-based servers running the OpenVMS operating environment. A Mimer database system provides the core data management environment, with an n-tier approach of a Windows business layer server and

Windows client applications providing access to the system to end users. The nature of the

relationship with NHSBT, access to source code for the ongoing development of the system,

and the capability to support the overall system in an end-to-end manner results in all support and development work on the NIBTS Pulse system being exclusively delivered by Savant.

#### **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: [2024/S 000-030369](#)

#### **IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice**

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

9 October 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Savant Ltd

Carnforth

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Companies House

02077844

The contractor is an SME

Yes

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £41,150

Total value of the contract/lot: £41,150

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

The Royal Courts of Justice

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom