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Planning

## **Supply of GMP-grade custom-made reagents for Production**

NHS Blood and Transplant

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04ac29

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

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

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

**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**

Supply of GMP-grade custom-made reagents for Production

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

- 33696300 - Chemical reagents

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

Supplies

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

NHSBT Clinical Biotechnology Centre (CBC) has an MHRA licence for the manufacture of sterile investigational medicinal gene therapy and recombinant protein products for clinical trials. The intended use of the reagents is for the GMP production of these types of products in manufacturing processes.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

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

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NHSBT now wishes to commence a formal procurement process and is seeking to engage with suppliers and understand the market.

### Business Requirements

- The Supplier MUST work with NHSBT closely, to work up the Product Specification(s) for manufacturing each of the reagents and be able to provide technical knowledge where required to support the selection of materials and any pre- and post-testing requirements to best practice.
- The Product Specification MUST be version-controlled and approved by both the Supplier and NHSBT for the production and Quality Control (QC) testing of the reagent.
- All raw materials used MUST be of a grade compatible for the GMP reagent production in accordance with the Product Specification.
- All raw materials MUST be fully traceable to the Supplier, manufacturer, and product code.
- Reagents MUST be sterile filtered using a 0.2-micron sterilising-grade filter to remove bioburden.
- Detailed specification will be shared while scheduling the premarket engagement call.

It is NHSBT's intention to hold pre-procurement supplier engagement meetings the week of 21st October 2024 to 15th November 2024. The meetings will be held remotely, the dates are to be confirmed. To enable NHSBT to finalise arrangements (e.g., send meeting details and agree time slots) for the meeting's, interested organisations are required to send an expression of interest via email to Sahithi Bandi [sahithi.band@nhsbt.nhs.uk](mailto:sahithi.band@nhsbt.nhs.uk) by no later than 17:00 hrs (GMT) on 11th November 2024. This should include a list of your potential attendees and a brief overview (or a website link) of the Goods / Services which might be offered. Please include options, if available, for a managed service contract.

No business whatsoever is guaranteed under any resulting framework agreement or contract, and there is no guarantee that any framework agreement or contract will be put in place in relation to this notice. No compensation etc. will be paid if a tender or resulting framework agreement is withdrawn for any reason. Bidders should take part in this process only on the basis that they fully understand and accept this position.

It should be noted that this procurement exercise may allow other Health authorities to use any agreements awarded.

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

15 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