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Planning

Urine, Cerebrospinal Fluid and Body Fluids Microscopy Analysers, Reagents, Consumables and Quality Control

Business Services Organisation Procurement and Logistics Service

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Scope

Reference

5655454

Description

This is a Preliminary Market Engagement Notice published by Business Services

Organisation (BSO) Procurement and Logistics Service (PaLS) on behalf of Northern Health

and Social Care Trust (NHSCT) Western Health and Social Care Trust (WHSCT) Southern

Health and Social Care Trust (SHSCT) South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust

(SEHSCT) and Belfast Health and Social Care Trust (BHSCT) to seek engagement with the

market place as PaLS are commencing work for a regional tender for an automated particle

analyser to support diagnostic services across all 5 Health and Social Care Northern Ireland(HSCNI) trusts.

This preliminary market engagement notice is for an automated particle analysers that will identify, classify and quantify various particles in urine in order to reduce the need for manual

microscopic review, screen out negative samples and allow for earlier reporting. This

procurement is being considered in response to diagnostic demand, the need for greater efficiency, and the desire to adopt more consistent and automated approaches to laboratory

testing.

The purpose of this market engagement is to: gain greater knowledge and understanding of

the current market landscape; evaluate the feasibility and effectiveness of existing solutions;

educate stakeholders on emerging technologies and service models; assess supplier readiness and identify any recent developments or innovations in the provision of urine, cerebrospinal fluid and body fluids microscopy analyser(s), reagents, consumables and quality control.

Further Information:

The overall purpose of this questionnaire is to engage with prospective suppliers and gain further knowledge and understanding of the market landscape.

Suppliers should note that any interest shown in this Preliminary Market Engagement exercise does not constitute a commitment to participate in any future tendering exercise.

For any further information please contact palsgransha.sourcing@hscni.net

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 August 2026 to 31 July 2032
- 6 years

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 33000000 - Medical equipments, pharmaceuticals and personal care products
- 33100000 - Medical equipments
- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)
- 38432000 - Analysis apparatus
- 38435000 - Apparatus for detecting fluids
- 38434000 - Analysers

Engagement

Engagement deadline

20 August 2025

Engagement process description

****This is an extension of a Preliminary Market Engagement published under Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-055c27****

This process will include a preliminary market engagement questionnaire, a presentation to

HSCNI subject matter experts and a question session with the experts following the presentation.

We invite prospective suppliers to participate in this initial market engagement exercise by initially completing the Preliminary Market Engagement Questionnaire.

The preliminary market questionnaire can be obtained by contacting

palsgransha.sourcing@hscni.net and requesting a CP12 Preliminary Market Engagement Questionnaire for tender 5655454 Urine, Cerebrospinal Fluid and Body Fluids Microscopy

Analysers, Reagents, Consumables and Quality Control.

Submission Deadline: Completed questionnaires must be returned via email to

palsgransha.sourcing@hscni.net no later than 3:00 PM on 20/08/2025.

The presentation and following question session will take place at a date, time and location

to be specified by PaLS. Invitations to this session will only be sent to those who have completed and submitted the CP12 Preliminary Market Engagement Questionnaire. Please

note spaces for this session will be limited.

Contracting authority

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Devolved regulations that apply: Northern Ireland