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Planning

## **Bacteriology Lab Automation**

Secretary of State for Health and Social Care acting as part of the Crown through UK Health Security Agency

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

C376864

### **Description**

UKHSA is hoping to refresh and modernise its Bacteriology Laboratory Automation Systems in some or all of its Clinical Network Laboratories. Current systems have been in-situ for approximately ten years and are nearing end of life. In advance of seeking business case approval or launching a formal tender process UKHSA are seeking to engage with the with the Laboratory Automation supply chain to:

- share information regarding this potential opportunity
- gain technical insights into innovative and leading-edge solutions that can support the development of our requirements
- gain market insight to help us shape our business case and strategy for a potential

procurement

This RFI (Request for Information) is the first stage of our pre-market engagement and is a desk-top exercise that is intended to enable key business stakeholders and their commercial lead to engage to better understand what the market can provide and the market's thoughts are on the future.

### **Total value (estimated)**

- £16,000,000 excluding VAT
- £20,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 2 February 2026 to 1 February 2033
- Possible extension to 1 February 2040
- 14 years

### **Main procurement category**

Goods

### **CPV classifications**

- 33100000 - Medical equipments
- 33696500 - Laboratory reagents
- 51400000 - Installation services of medical and surgical equipment

## **Contract locations**

- UK - United Kingdom
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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

26 August 2025

### **Engagement process description**

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## **Submission**

### **Publication date of tender notice (estimated)**

31 October 2025

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## **Contracting authority**

**Secretary of State for Health and Social Care acting as part of the Crown through UK Health Security Agency**

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