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Award

Managed Service for Nucleic Acid Testing (NAT)

Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-058f85

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service

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Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.scotblood.co.uk/>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA12722

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Managed Service for Nucleic Acid Testing (NAT)

Reference number

NP5023/14

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 50421000 - Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service (SNBTS), require a fully integrated microbiology managed service system for NAT (Nucleic Acid Testing). This includes equipment, maintenance, consumables, spare parts, upgrades, training, clinical education material, remote diagnostics, reporting and supports all to deliver a final result to the SNBTS information management system. Mandatory assays include the ability to detect HCV, HBV and HIV for in plasma/serum samples from blood donors and tissue donors. Tissue and stem cell donations may only be tested as individual donations. SNBTS test various tissue and stem cell blood samples as singletons but do not carry out any testing on non heart beating donations

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: £150,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 50421000 - Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

A project to replace the current contract has been concluded however due to the time that it takes to conduct a procurement exercise and the subsequent implementation period, delays have been encountered and have meant that a short extension is required to the current contract to ensure continuity of testing. This extension will be for a 6 month period from 01 November 2025.

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

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Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

NP5023/14

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

28 August 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Roche Diagnostics

Roche Diagnostics, Charles Ave

Burgess Hill

RH15 9RY

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+44 1444256991

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £150,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=808517.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Court of Session

Parliament House, Parliament Square

Edinburgh

EH1 1RQ

Country

United Kingdom