

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/054781-2025>

Contract

Microbiology Referrals - Cambridge Clinical Labs

Gateshead Health NHS Foundation Trust

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-054781

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-059620

Published 8 September 2025, 4:09pm

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Gateshead Health NHS Foundation Trust

Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Sheriff Hill

Gateshead

NE96SX

Email

lynne.symington@nhs.net

Telephone

+44 1914452801

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKC22 - Tyneside

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.gatesheadhealth.nhs.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Microbiology Referrals - Cambridge Clinical Labs

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85145000 - Services provided by medical laboratories

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Microbiology referral tests

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: £20,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Description of Services: The contract is for the provision of Microbiology referral tests.

Contract Award Statement: The intention is to award the contract to Cambridge Clinical Laboratories Ltd following the direct award process C under the Provider Selection Regime.

Contract Value: The approximate lifetime value of the contract is £20,000.

Contract Period: The services are intended to be provided from 01.04.25 - 31.03.26

II.2.5) Award criteria

Cost criterion - Name: the existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard / Weighting: 100

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: 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:

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Procurement Act 2023 do not apply to this award. The standstill period begins on the day after the publication of this notice. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by 17th September 2025. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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

29 July 2025

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

Cambridge Clinical Laboratories Ltd

Cambridge

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Companies House

05382262

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £20,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Procurement Act 2023 do not apply to this award.

The standstill period begins on the day after the publication of this notice.

Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by 17th September 2025.

Address for Written Representations: ghnt.psr@nhs.net

This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

Details of the award decision makers: Dr A Wort & Dr J Moore.

Conflicts of Interest: There were no conflicts of interest identified among the decision makers.

This decision to proceed with Direct Award C is based on the following criteria: Required reference test, not available locally, offered at a competitive price compared to other potential providers.

Lab has the expertise required to conduct the test in a quality assured way - ideally with UKAS accreditation - though we recognise this is not always possible for low throughput specialist tests with in house designs.

Satisfactory turn around times to meet clinical need.

Availability of useful clinical advice (based on national reputation, and/or experience and/or user feedback).

Results conveyed electronically wherever possible.

Appropriate reference ranges provided where applicable.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

PSR Review Panel

London

Country

United Kingdom