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Award

Point of care respiratory testing

SOMERSET NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

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Scope

Description

4 GeneXpert Xpress, touchscreen analysers:

2 to be delivered to Musgrove Park Hospital and 2 to Yeovil District Hospital. Including training for use of the equipment.

5000 testing kits at discounted rate: 3000 to be delivered to Musgrove Park Hospital and 2000 to Yeovil District Hospital.

Contract 1

Supplier

- CEPHEID UK LIMITED

Contract value

- £254,800 excluding VAT
- £305,760 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

7 October 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 7 October 2025 to 8 October 2025
- 2 days

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 33696500 - Laboratory reagents
- 38434000 - Analysers

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

- Single supplier - technical reasons
- Additional or repeat goods, services or works - extension or partial replacement
- User choice contract

Three devices were identified as having an accuracy level appropriate for the testing required.

The alternatives to the chosen supplier required additional hands-on clinician time due to the need for multiple testing kits to be used per patient. One alternative also required multiple patient swabs to be taken.

Cepheid UK LTD's offering was decided to be most suitable to reduce hands-on time allowing RSV, Covid/SARS and FLU A&B to be tested with one sample loaded.

This testing also aligns with the current process used within our partner laboratory, who have been using Cepheid equipment for our previous years testing and will be providing ongoing servicing for internal and external quality assurance.

Supplier

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Contract 1

Contracting authority

SOMERSET NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNWR-4212-QWHQ

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government