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Tender

Framework Agreement for the Supply and Support of Sterile Connection Devices

NHS Blood and Transplant

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Scope

Description

Sterile Connection Devices (SCDs) are essential for Blood Services to produce a wide range of blood components. Their use allows the sterile connection of blood packs and consumables, negating the use of a clean room. SCDs are used to connect ancillary packs to primary components to allow the manufacture of secondary components (washed red cells or platelets), in the production of pooled components (platelets, granulocytes and cryoprecipitate) and to manufacture neonatal split components (red cells, plasma and platelets). SCD's are also used during bacterial screening & Quality Monitoring Sampling and in areas outside of blood supply such as Tissue Services, Cellular and Molecular Therapy (CMT).

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Total value (estimated)

- £7,351,761 excluding VAT
- £8,822,113 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 February 2026 to 31 January 2028
- Possible extension to 31 January 2029
- 3 years

Description of possible extension:

one additional year available as monthly or cumulative extensions.

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

one additional year available as monthly or cumulative extensions.

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 33100000 - Medical equipments

- 50421000 - Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment
- 33190000 - Miscellaneous medical devices and products

Lot constraints

Description of how multiple lots may be awarded:

Most Advantageous Tender

Lot 1. Supply and Maintenance of NEW Sterile Connection Devices, and Consumables

Description

Supply and Maintenance of NEW Sterile Connection Devices, and Consumables for new and existing devices

Lot value (estimated)

- £6,665,826 excluding VAT
- £6,665,826 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract dates and options are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 2. Maintenance and Reactive Repair Services of existing NHSBT owned Terumo SCDs

Description

Maintenance and Reactive Repair Services of existing NHSBT owned Terumo Sterile Connection Devices

Lot value (estimated)

- £685,935 excluding VAT
- £823,122 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

Same for all lots

CPV classifications, contract dates and options are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Framework

Maximum number of suppliers

Unlimited

Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

0%

Further information about fees

n/a

Justification for framework term over 4 years

n/a

Framework operation description

United Kingdom

Award method when using the framework

Either with or without competition

Contracting authorities that may use the framework

Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service (SNBTS)

Welsh Blood Service (WBS)

NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT)

Northern Ireland Blood Transfusion (NIBTS)

Contracting authority location restrictions

- UK - United Kingdom
 - UKL - Wales
 - UKM - Scotland
 - UKN0 - Northern Ireland
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Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

Lot 1. Supply and Maintenance of NEW Sterile Connection Devices, and Consumables

Lot 2. Maintenance and Reactive Repair Services of existing NHSBT owned Terumo SCDs

as stated in the tender documents

Technical ability conditions of participation

Lot 1. Supply and Maintenance of NEW Sterile Connection Devices, and Consumables

Lot 2. Maintenance and Reactive Repair Services of existing NHSBT owned Terumo SCDs

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Particular suitability

Lot 1. Supply and Maintenance of NEW Sterile Connection Devices, and Consumables

Lot 2. Maintenance and Reactive Repair Services of existing NHSBT owned Terumo SCDs

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

14 October 2025, 12:00pm

Submission type

Tenders

Tender submission deadline

28 October 2025, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://atamis-1928.my.site.com/>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

1 December 2025

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 1 April 2028

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Price	Price	60.00%
Quality	Quality	30.00%
Social Value	Quality	10.00%

Other information

Payment terms

30 days

Description of risks to contract performance

Unforeseen Regulatory Changes for NHS Blood and Transplant or the Supplier (or principal Subcontractors) which may impact volume or type of activity.

Unforeseen changes necessitated by General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which

may impact volume of activity.

Unforeseen increase in activity which may impact volume or type of activity.

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Competitive flexible procedure description

This Procurement is being run under a multi-stage Competitive Flexible procedure pursuant to section 20(2)(b) of the Procurement Act 2023 to establish a Framework.

It is the intention of the Authority to follow a two-stage process under this procedure as follows. However, the Authority retains the right to amend the stages if required throughout the process. This includes amending the number of stages or re-running a stage of the process.

Tender Stage 1:

Publish tender notice and tender documents

Receive tenders

Tender Stage 2:

Validate devices

Award Stage:

Notify suppliers and issue assessment summaries

Publish contract award notice and commence standstill

Award contract

The tender process will include Conditions of Participation which will not be used as a formal stage in order to down select suppliers but will ensure that tenderer's meet minimum requirements.

Further information can be found in the tender documents.

Contracting authority

NHS Blood and Transplant

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government