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Contract

## **Core Molecular Testing**

NHS Lothian

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02bef1

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

NHS Lothian

Procurement Headquarters, Lothian Health Board Waverley Gate 2-4 Waterloo Place

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United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKM - Scotland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.nhsllothian.scot.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00326](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00326)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Core Molecular Testing

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 71900000 - Laboratory services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Provision of the Managed Laboratory Service for NHS Lothian for its core molecular testing requirement.

#### **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: £3,500,000

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Main site or place of performance

Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Lothian Health Board (more commonly known as NHS Lothian) requires a managed service solution for its core molecular testing capacity for a contract period of 5 years. The Supplier will assume responsibility for the guaranteed availability of the managed service solution through the provision and management including maintenance.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

#### **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

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## **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 contract is being awarded under the Direct Award procedure under Lot 1 – Clinical Managed Services of the SBS Framework Clinical Managed Services including Managed Maintenance Services and associated Consultancy Services SBS/18/OA/FBY/9308.

#### **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**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-014206](#)

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## **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**

1 May 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Abbott Laboratories Ltd

Vanwall Business Park

Maidenhead

SL6 4XF

Telephone

+44 1628589972

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £3,500,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

Historical award as part of content management exercise.

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Edinburgh Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom