

**United Kingdom-Huntingdon: Pathology services**

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Contract notice

Services

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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**I.1. Name and addresses**

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The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://secure.sourcedogg.com>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://secure.sourcedogg.com>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5. Main activity**

Health

**Section II: Object**

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**II.1. Scope of the procurement****II.1.1. Title**

Integrated Contraception and Sexual Health (iCaSH) Clinical Laboratory Diagnostic Service Framework

Reference number: SBS19-33

**II.1.2. Main CPV code**

85111800 Pathology services

### **II.1.3. Type of contract**

Services

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

This contract is to cover the delivery of integrated contraception and sexual health (iCaSH) clinical laboratory diagnostic service to locations across the East of England.

The contract will identify a provider who shall provide a comprehensive clinical laboratory diagnostic service within an overall system of resilient pathology service provision.

Suppliers must first register their interest and complete the selection questionnaire associated with the lot below:

Lot 1: Core Clinical Pathology;

Lot 2: Digital Pathology;

Lot 3: Total (Core Clinical Pathology and Digital Pathology Combined).

### **II.1.5. Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 4 200 000,00 GBP

### **II.1.6. Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 3

## **II.2. Description**

### **II.2.1. Title**

Core Clinical Pathology

Lot No: Lot 1

### **II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)**

85111800 Pathology services

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

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

NUTS code: UKH East of England

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

Lot 1: core clinical pathology

The contract will identify a provider who shall provide a comprehensive clinical laboratory diagnostic service within an overall system of resilient pathology service provision that must, but not limited to, provide:

- meet the service needs of the designated contraception and sexual health services,
- act as an enabler for the delivery of clinical services across iCaSH,
- improve overall user and patient experience and optimise the patient journey, and
- improve clinical outcomes and streamline clinical pathways.

Clinical laboratory diagnostic services including:

(i) haematology;

(ii) biochemistry;

(iii) virology;

(iv) microbiology including bacteriology;

(v) immunology;

(vi) cytology with HPV testing where indicated, as per National Cervical Screening Programme guidelines;

(vii) histopathology.

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

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

### **II.2.6. Estimated value**

### **II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months: 72

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

Initial contract period of 24 months. Two periods of 24 month extensions available. The first period will be agreed by both parties prior to end of the initial period.

### **II.2.9. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged number of candidates: 4 Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

See shortlisting criteria within selection questionnaire notes for completion.

### **II.2.10. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

### **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

### **II.2.14. Additional information**

The relevant lot specific selection questionnaire for Lot 1: core clinical pathology can be found at:

<https://secure.sourcedogg.com/profile/1410ba09-ae18-49c1-b969-a8d28650cf8c/requests/32226>

## **II.2. Description**

### **II.2.1. Title**

Digital Pathology

Lot No: Lot 2

### **II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)**

85111800 Pathology services

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

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

NUTS code: UKH East of England

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

Lot 2: digital pathology

The contract will identify a provider who shall provide an online patient facing platform ordering of sexual health screening kits (Express Test Home STI Kit) for delivery to chosen destination service provision that must, but not limited to, provide:

— meet the service needs of the designated contraception and sexual health services,

- act as an enabler for the delivery of clinical services across iCaSH,
- improve overall user and patient experience and optimise the patient journey, and
- improve clinical outcomes and streamline clinical pathways.

Clinical laboratory diagnostic services including:

- (i) haematology;
- (ii) biochemistry;
- (iii) virology;
- (iv) microbiology including bacteriology;
- (v) immunology;
- (vi) cytology with HPV testing where indicated, as per National Cervical Screening Programme guidelines;
- (vii) histopathology.

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

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

#### **II.2.6. Estimated value**

#### **II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months: 72

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

Initial contract period of 24 months. Two periods of 24 month extensions available. The first period will be agreed by both parties prior to end of the initial period.

#### **II.2.9. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged number of candidates: 4  
Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

See shortlisting criteria within selection questionnaire notes for completion.

#### **II.2.10. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

#### **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

#### **II.2.14. Additional information**

The relevant lot specific selection questionnaire for Lot 2: digital pathology can be found at:  
<https://secure.sourcedogg.com/profile/1410ba09-ae18-49c1-b969-a8d28650cf8c/requests/32227>

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

#### **II.2.1. Title**

Total (Core Clinical Pathology and Digital Pathology combined)

Lot No: Lot 3

#### **II.2.2.**

**Additional CPV code(s)**

85111800 Pathology services

**II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

NUTS code: UKH East of England

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

Lot 3: total (core clinical pathology and digital pathology combined)

The contract will identify a provider who shall provide a clinical laboratory diagnostic service providing core clinical and an online patient facing platform ordering of sexual health screening kits (Express Test Home STI Kit) for delivery to chosen destination within an overall system of resilient pathology service provision that must, but not limited to, provide:

- meet the service needs of the designated contraception and sexual health services,
- act as an enabler for the delivery of clinical services across iCaSH,
- improve overall user and patient experience and optimise the patient journey, and
- improve clinical outcomes and streamline clinical pathways.

Clinical laboratory diagnostic services including:

(i) haematology;

(ii) biochemistry;

(iii) virology;

(iv) microbiology including bacteriology;

(v) immunology;

(vi) cytology with HPV testing where indicated, as per National Cervical Screening Programme guidelines;

(vii) histopathology.

**II.2.5. Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

**II.2.6. Estimated value****II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months: 72

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

Initial contract period of 24 months. Two periods of 24 month extensions available. The first period will be agreed by both parties prior to end of the initial period.

**II.2.9. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged number of candidates: 4 Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

See shortlisting criteria within selection questionnaire notes for completion.

**II.2.10. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

**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

### II.2.14. Additional information

The relevant lot specific selection questionnaire for Lot 3: total (core clinical pathology and digital pathology combined) can be found at: <https://secure.sourcedogg.com/profile/1410ba09-ae18-49c1-b969-a8d28650cf8c/requests/32229>

## Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

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### III.1. Conditions for participation

#### III.1.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions:

See requirements of the selection questionnaire and notes for completion document.

#### III.1.2. Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### III.1.3. Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

## Section IV: Procedure

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### IV.1. Description

#### IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Competitive dialogue

#### IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 2

#### 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 in the OJ S: [2019/S 149-367239](https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:2019/S149-367239)

#### IV.2.2. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date: 06/03/2020 Local time: 12:00

#### IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

Date: 01/06/2020

#### IV.2.4. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

#### IV.2.6.

## Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

### Section VI: Complementary information

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#### VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

#### VI.2. Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

#### VI.3. Additional information

Estimated timeframes:

Competitive dialogue (Lot 1: Core Clinical Pathology and Lot 3: Core Clinical Pathology and Digital Pathology combined)

- contract notice – 20.1.2020 to 24.1.2020 to 6.3.2020,
- selection question – 24.1.2020 to 6.3.2020,
- Invitation to dialogue – 9.3.2020,
- Dialogue session 1 – 17.3.2020 to 20.3.2020,
- Invitation to submit outline solutions (ISOS) – 23.3.2020 to 3.4.2020,
- Dialogue session 2 – 20.4.2020-24.4.2020,
- ISOS Submission – 27.4.2020 to 1.5.2020,
- Dialogue session 3 – 18.5.2020 to 22.5.2020,
- Invitation to submit detailed solution (ISDS) – 25.5.2020 to 29.5.2020,
- Invitation to tender – 1.6.2020 to 12.6.2020,
- Supplier presentations – 20.7.2020,
- Contract award – Sep/Oct 2020,
- Contract start dates – February/March 2021.

Estimated timeframes:

Lot 3: digital

- contract notice – 20.1.2020 to 24.1.2020 to 6.3.2020,
- selection question – 24.1.2020 to 6.3.2020,
- invitation to tender – 1.6.2020 to 12.6.2020,
- Contract award – February 2021,
- Contract start dates – February/March 2021.

NHS Shared Business Services (SBS) is acting as the agent of the contracting authority. SBS does not bind itself or the contracting authority for which it acts as agent, to accept the lowest or any offer and reserves the right to accept an offer either in whole or in part, each item being for this purpose treated as offered separately.

SBS acting as the agent of the contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts for the supply of the goods/services described above and arising out of this procurement process to more than 1 contractor.

#### VI.4. Procedures for review

##### VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: NHS SBS

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**VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

21/01/2020