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Action Required: Pathology retender specification review

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YESTERDAY WE SENT OUT THE BELOW COMMS VIA EMAIL. IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED THIS PLEASE REVIEW THIS BROADCAST AND SEND ANY RESPONSE OR QUERIES TO PATHOLOGY.CATMGT@SUPPLYCHAIN.NHS.UK

Dear Supplier,

As you will be aware, we are currently preparing strategy for the re-procurement of our Pathology & Point of Care Testing Framework. We are wanting to give all of our stakeholders opportunity to provide as much feedback as they can pre tender publication for us to ensure what we are approaching the market for is a fit-for-purpose framework agreement that covers all of our existing and potential new customer requirements for the foreseeable future (new framework term to be decided)

I'd like to take this opportunity to give you visibility & an opportunity to review our first draft specification, attached are the following documents;

- Our proposed new lot structure and
- Lot 1 – 8 first draft specifications; this has been split into individual documents in order for you to review only the lots most relevant for you.

We request that you read these through, noting any changes or questions you may have in track changes. This will allow us to review your suggestions and arrange meetings to discuss anything further to ensure you have opportunity to participate in any subsequent tendering activity. Particularly note if you feel any of our specification requirements would omit you from submitting a bid.

Supplementary to these documents are two matrices lists, This will allow us to build our commercial schedules, we also intend to share these at a later date. For future reference, the commercial schedule will give you the line level product information that we will be requesting pricing against for evaluation.

1. The first is a test list; if you intend to submit against Lot 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 please complete this matrix marking where you are able to provide a solution for each test type
2. The second template is a product list relating to Lot 5, Lab Equipment & Consumables, again, please complete the matrix marking where you are able to provide the stipulated product line.

In both cases, if you are unable to provide any of the tests or products listed, please make this known to the team as this information is being used to form the evaluation part of the tender, if you are unable to submit against a product line at tender you will be unable to bid.

We understand this is a wealth of information to review and therefore are giving until 30th September to submit any feedback. Please bear in mind the sooner we get the information back the sooner we can consider and review your suggestions and plan in further engagement. All of information will also be forming part of our supplier conference in October.

Many thanks in advance for the input.

