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Webinar: The NHS Test & Trace Service: Progress & Procurement update from Pillar 3

9 July 2020, 14:15



Department
of Health &
Social Care

Opening

Lord Bethell of Romford

Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Innovation

Department of Health & Social Care

Today's Agenda

14:15 – 14:25 Opening	Lord Bethell of Romford – Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Innovation, Department of Health & Social Care
14:25 – 14:40 Update on Antibody and RNA Testing	Alex Cooper – National Testing Programme Pillars 2 & 3 SRO, Department of Health & Social Care Q&A PLEASE NOTE: Slides have been removed for distribution purposes.
14:40 – 14:55 PHE Procurement Framework Update	Nilesh Pattani – Deputy Head of Procurement, Public Health England Nick Whitehead – Lead Category Manager, Public Health England Natalie Pollybank – Procurement Business Partner, Department of Health & Social Care Q&A
14:55 – 15:00 Crowdicity Update	Doris-Ann Williams – Chief Executive, BIVDA
15:00 – 15:10 Close	Doris-Ann Williams – Chief Executive, BIVDA





Public Health
England

National Microbiology Framework Update

Thursday 9th July 2020

Nilesh Pattani, Deputy Head of Procurement – PHE

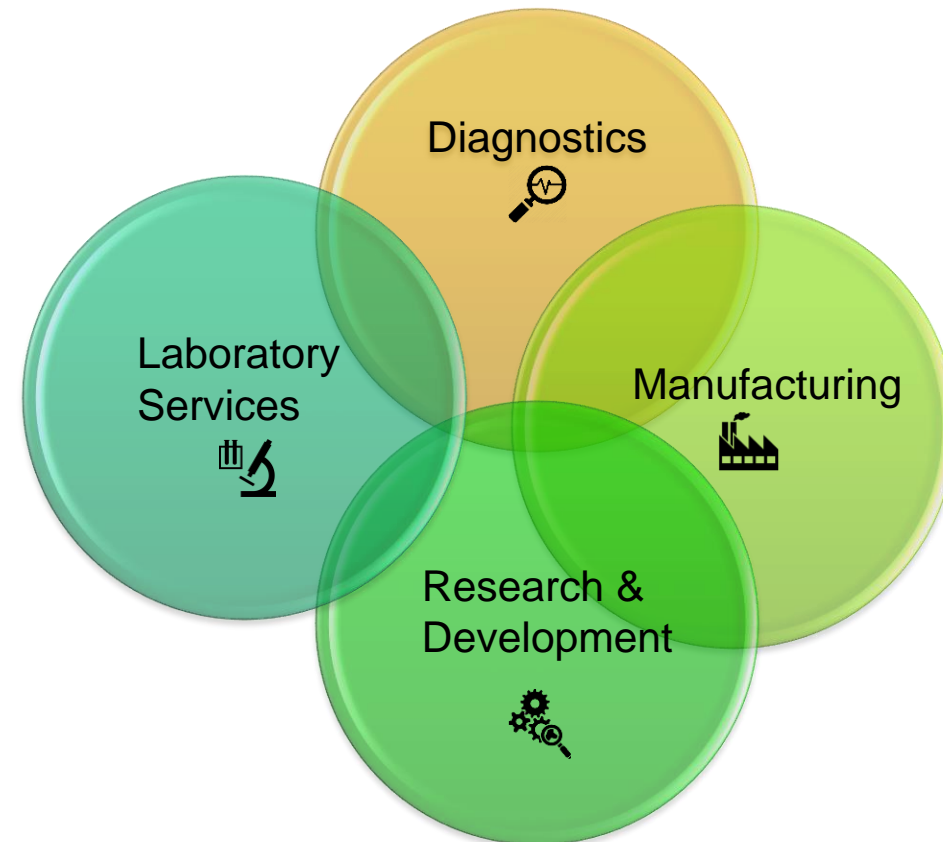
Nick Whitehead, Lead Category Manager - PHE

Natalie Polybank, Procurement Business Partner - DHSC



Background

- Public Health England (PHE) has been given a mandate by Cabinet Office to lead on a new National Microbiology framework, **in collaboration with DHSC and Cabinet Office.**
- Structure: 4 Lots
 - **Lot 1 Diagnostics (CE Marked)**
 - **Lot 2 Research and Development**
 - **Lot 3 Manufacturing**
 - **Lot 4 Laboratory Testing Capacity**





Framework Outline

- A tool to supplement other frameworks and provide commercial opportunities in areas not currently covered by agreements.
- Access of this agreement to include **central government, public sector bodies, local authorities, academia** and the **NHS and PH Wales, PH Scotland and PHNI**.
- Suppliers required to permit life science, off-label work and diagnostic use on platforms to meet Participating Authority requirements.
- Compliant route to market for diagnostics products and services.
- Experience from pandemics so far will be used to help shape the framework.



Current Status

- PIN published 03/06/2020 in TED.
- A PQQ is currently running and closes 20/07/2020. The purpose of the PQQ is to understand interest in the market and to have a pool of suppliers to take part in market engagement. **Suppliers are not prohibited from bidding if they do not register.**
- Market engagement to begin imminently.
- The scope will be finalised with help from suppliers acting as market representatives.



Public Services (Social value) Act 2012

- It requires people who commission public services to think about how they can also secure wider social, economic and environmental benefits.
- The Act is a tool to help commissioners get more value for money out of procurement.
- It also encourages commissioners to talk to their local provider market or community to design better services, often finding new and innovative solutions to difficult problems.



Social Value Act: Information and Guidance -

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/social-value-act-information-and-resources/social-value-act-information-and-resources>



Social value within PHE

- Pathways to Work programmes and employment schemes:
 - Movement to work
 - Project search
 - Ambitious about autism
- 11 individuals have been offered employment through the movement to work scheme.
- PHE Sustainability group with local sustainability champions.





In Scope Products

- **Calibration** - Calibration services; reference samples for calibration
- **Diagnostics kits** - Any (molecular and non-molecular based) microbiological and serological diagnostic test kits including: **Laboratory, point-of-care, home testing kits, lateral flow assays**
- **Diagnostic platforms** - Electrophoresis equipment, mass spectrometers (Lot 2), MALDI-ToF , microplate readers and associated equipment, PCR platforms, Sanger sequencing, sequencers, spectrophotometers UV and visible, thermal cyclers **point of care testing**
- **Equipment servicing** - All servicing packages offered
- **Freeze dryers** - CHRIST, Lyoflex 08
- **Laboratory automation** - antimicrobial testing systems, blood culture systems, extraction platforms, identification systems, inoculators, liquid handlers, PCR robotics, random or continuous-access immunoassay processors, urinalysis systems etc.



In Scope Products Continued

- **Laboratory consumables** - Biological products, cell culture (**not media**), liquid handlers specialised consumables, swabs, nucleic acid preparation kits, specialist consumables, sample transport containers, lancets, saliva collection containers, **specialised consumables directly associated with automated systems**
- **Identification/manual testing kits** - Any molecular and non-molecular based identification system
- **Manual antimicrobial susceptibility testing** - Antimicrobial discs, M.I.C evaluator strips
- **Consumables for use during the analytical phase of laboratory testing** – 96 well plates, secondary specimen containers

This is not an exhaustive list and is subject to change following market engagement.



Lot 3 and 4 Scope

Lot 3 – Manufacturing

- To manufacture diagnostic or therapeutic products for the purpose of research, experimentation, study, development or to establish commercial viability or to recover research and development costs.

Lot 4 – Laboratory Testing Capacity

- The provision of high-throughput (> 10,000 tests per day) diagnostic laboratory-based testing of collected samples for pathogens.

Feedback and insight from suppliers is greatly appreciated for these two lots.



Links

- **Link to PIN:** <https://ted.europa.eu/udl?uri=TED:NOTICE:263375-2020:TEXT:EN:HTML>
- **Link to PHE Bravo Portal:** <https://phe.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml>

Instructions to register interest to market engagement:

Once registered on Bravo, click **current opportunities** on the homepage. There you will see **PHE_Scientific – National Microbiology Framework** which will lead you to **PQQ_191 – Supplier Engagement for National Microbiology Framework**.

Crowdicity Update

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<https://testingmethods.crowdcity.com>



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