

## Sole Source Certification Request

<b>Project Title:</b> VH Dissector Table				
<b>Contact Information</b>				
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<b>MAGIC Customer #:</b> (Only required from state agencies.)	<b>Division/Dept:</b> College of Nursing & Health Professions			
<b>Project Summary</b>				
<b>Description of Project:</b> (Include details of original acquisition if applicable)	The Dissector tables and Dissector Pro software (for student and faculty laptops) will be the primary anatomy teaching technology for the PA Program. As there is no anatomy (cadaver) lab available to students on the Gulf Park campus, this is the best alternative for anatomy instruction. In addition, the capabilities of these tables and software make an important adjunct to teach in the Clinical Medicine, Clinical Reasoning, Clinical Skills classes as well.			
<b>ITS Acquisition Approval (CP-1) should be effective through this date:</b>				
<b>Cost Estimates</b> (Maximum allowed duration is 3 years per request/project)				
<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Initial Costs</b>	<b>Ongoing Costs</b>	<b>Time Constraints</b>	<b>Estimate the Anticipated Lifecycle or Years of Product/System's Effective Use:</b>
FY 24	\$135,000.00		Item Needed by: June 1, 2024	
FY 25		\$2,667.60	Funds Expire: NA	10yrs
FY 26		\$2,667.60	<b>Other Important Deadline(s):</b> (e.g. current contract/CP-1 expiration dates)	
<b>Total Estimated Project Cost:</b>		\$140,335.20		
<b>Funding Source:</b> 100% State Funds				
<b>Discuss Funding:</b> (e.g. fund number; how much of needed funding is definite; total project budget; any matching or other non-state funds)		Funding is 100% and definite.		
<b>Acquisition Details</b>				
<b>Item or Part Number</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Building Location(s)</b>	
VH Dissector Table - Presenter 65	3	A large format multi-touch anatomical visualization platform for collaborative learning.		
VH Dissector Pro - Annual Site License	30	Annual VH Dissector Pro site license including all medical curriculum content.		
<b>Describe Platform and Infrastructure:</b> Where does your agency plan to house or host the requested equipment or service? What resources currently available through ITS are needed (network connectivity, cloud computing/storage, colocation, business resiliency, etc.)? <b>NOTE: For equipment or services outside of current ITS available contracts and resources, justification must be attached.</b>				
None				
<b>Sole Source Certification - Certification must be renewed for each revision or continuation of previous Sole Source Approvals.</b>				
<b>Explain why these products or services are the only ones that can meet your needs:</b> (Include specific functionality or special features that make this product or service unique.)		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Software provides a complete, whole body, 3D and cross-sectional anatomical reference built on data from the Visible Human Project (not illustrations).</li> <li>2. 65" 4K Capacitive Multi-Touch Screen</li> <li>3. Height and Tilt Adjustment from Horizontal to Vertical, to accommodate presentation vs. table modes</li> <li>4. Height adjustments to accommodate standing/seating requirements of all students.</li> <li>5. The tables must be able to be moved from room to room through a standard doorway without being disassembled.</li> <li>6. Table and software package combined must be adequate to support graduate level anatomy education, not designed for high school or undergraduate level education.</li> <li>7. Student and faculty dissector software must be compatible with multiple personal devices such as laptops, tablets, and iPads without requiring the purchase of additional hardware</li> <li>8. Tables as described above must be available for less than \$50,000.00 each</li> </ol>		

<b>Specific business requirements to be met by the products/services:</b> (e.g. intended use, how it helps accomplish a task, etc.)	The Dissector tables and Dissector Pro software (for student and faculty laptops) will be the primary anatomy teaching technology for the PA Program. As there is no anatomy (cadaver) lab available to students on the Gulf Park campus, this is the best alternative for anatomy instruction. In addition, the capabilities of these tables and software make an important adjunct to teach in the Clinical Medicine, Clinical Reasoning, Clinical Skills classes as well. Touch of Life Technologies (Toltech) is the only company that sells these tables and this proprietary software. There are no resellers of these products.		
<b>Explain why this is the only entity that can provide the products/services:</b> (Include other products/vendors researched or evaluated.)	Touch of Life Technologies (Toltech) is the only company that sells these tables and this proprietary software. There are no resellers of these products. There is only one other vender in this space. The hardware specs are either inadequate for our needs or at a considerably higher price point. The software used by students can be used on a variety of compatible devices, where the other vender's software is only available on the vendors tables, sold separately. Much of the basic imaging on the other vendor's tables are illustrations rather than cadaveric images (Visible Human Project) thereby lacking some of the realism and cadaver lab equivalency of the Toltech product..		
<b>If for services or installations (not a product) the following two questions must be addressed.</b>			
<b>Explain below why the amount to be expended is reasonable:</b>	<b>Explain below what was done to obtain the best possible price:</b>		
The developmental budget for anatomy instruction hardware was in the neighborhood of \$100,000 with the tentative plan of acquiring a single SynDaver (synthetic cadaver) for the program. After reviewing an existing SynDaver, that product was not impressive and not deemed to be adequate for the PA Program. Acquiring three Toltech tables and student software is a major step up with a minimal increase in cost. There is only one other vendor in this space. The hardware specs are either inadequate for our needs or at a considerably higher price point. The software used by students can be used on a variety of compatible devices, where the other vender's software is only available on the vendors tables, sold separately. Much of the basic imaging on the other vendor's tables are illustrations rather than cadaveric images (Visible Human Project) thereby lacking some of the realism and cadaver lab equivalency of the Toltech product.	Multiple conversations with vendor. Locked in quote at a pre-price increase rate.		
<b>Vendor's proposal submitted:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (select only one)	<b>Vendor's Certification of Sole Source attached:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
<b>MAGIC Vendor Code(s) - Vendor must be in MAGIC before a CP-1 can be issued.</b>			
<b>Place Order To Vendor Code:</b>	<b>Vendor Name:</b>  <b>Vendor Address:</b>	<b>Remit To Vendor Code:</b>	<b>Vendor Name:</b>  <b>Vendor Address:</b>

By my signature, I certify that, to the best of my professional knowledge: the requested product or services are a sole source as outlined in the ITS Procurement Handbook, Rule 207.2:013-030 Procurement Types: Sole Source, and as outlined in Mississippi Code annotated Section 31-7-13.

David J. Slimen / CIO  
Name and Title (Agency Head/Public Institution CIO/Designee)

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04/02/2024  
Date