

MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Notice of Proposed Sole Source Purchase #0301-21
RFx # 3150000851

The Mississippi State Department of Health anticipates purchasing the item(s) listed below as a sole source purchase. Anyone objecting to this purchase shall follow the procedures outlined below.

Commodity or commodities to be purchased (make, model, description):

The Mississippi Public Health Laboratory (MPHL) currently uses the Abbott Architect for HIV, hepatitis and bHCG testing. These kits are FDA cleared for use on human patients on the Abbott Architect. The MPHL would like to purchase sufficient test kits to meet the current demand for testing and respond to future demands for increased testing due to bloodborne pathogen exposure or new grant funded testing initiatives. Abbott is the sole manufacturer and distributor of these test kits.

Product List Number	Product Description	Product Price (Kit)	# Kits (Annual)	Extended Price
01L82-25	ARC Ausab (100 tests)	172.00	8	1,376
07K78-25	ARC bHCG	137.30	8	1,098.40
06L22-25	ARC Core (100 tests)	317.00	8	2,536.00
06L23-25	ARC Core-M (100 tests)	480.00	8	3,840
06L27-25	ARC HAVAB-G (100 tests)	298	4	1,192.00
06L21-25	ARC HAVAB-M (100 tests)	298	4	1,192.00
04P53-25	ARC HBsAg Qual (100 tests)	272	8	2,176.00
04P54-25	ARC HBsAg Qual Confirm (50 tests)	750	4	3,000.00
01L79-25	ARC HCV 2.0 (100 tests)	480	4	1,920.00

Explanation of the need to be fulfilled by this item(s) and why it is the only one that can meet the specific needs of the department:

The MPHL currently uses the Abbott Architect instrument and kits to test for HIV, hepatitis and bHCG are FDA approved on the instrument. The Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) requires that tests be performed in accordance with the manufacturer's package insert without deviation. The Abbott Architect kits are the only kits that are FDA approved to use with the Architect instrument. The test kits are only manufactured and sold by Abbott Laboratories. The MPHL requests an authority to purchase sufficient kits to avoid testing delays. The MPHL must be able to respond to testing large quantities of specimens for epidemiological surveillance. An adequate number of validated test kits must be on-hand to support current testing for bHCG, Hepatitis A, B and C and future surveillance testing for hepatitis.

Name of company/individual selling the item and why that source is the only possible source that can provide the required item(s):

The Architect test kits bHCG, Hepatitis A, B and C are manufactured only by Abbott Laboratories. Abbott Laboratories does not use distributors in the clinical market and sales directly to laboratories.

Estimated cost of item(s) and an explanation why the amount to be expended is considered reasonable:

- Estimated Cost: \$18,330.40 per year (based on the current volume of the hepatitis testing performed by the MPHL).
- The MPHL receives public health pricing with a discount off list price.

Explanation of the efforts taken by the department to determine this is the only source and the efforts used to obtain the best possible price:

- Abbott Laboratories is the sole manufacturer and sole vendor of these products and sells directly to laboratories.
- Abbott Laboratories has agreed to hold pricing firm for these items through September 14, 2021.
- All applicable discounts were explored and applied.

Any person or entity that objects and proposes that the commodity listed is not sole source and can be provided by another person or entity shall submit a written notice to: Jennifer Dotson, Mississippi State Department of Health Purchasing Department, 570 E. Woodrow Wilson, Room 134 Underwood Building, Jackson, MS 39216 or P. O. Box 1700, Jackson, MS 39215-1700.

Responses may be hand delivered, via regular mail, overnight delivery or by e-mail:

jennifer.dotson@msdh.ms.gov The envelope or e-mail should reference the sole source number.

The notice shall contain a detailed explanation of why the commodity is not a sole source procurement. Appropriate documentation shall also be submitted if applicable. The enclosed form (OSS) may be used if you so desire.

If after a review of the submitted notice and documents, Mississippi State Department of Health determines that the commodity in the proposed sole source request can be provided by another person or entity, then Mississippi State Department of Health will withdraw the sole source request publication from the procurement portal website and submit the procurement of the commodity to an advertised competitive bid or selection process.

If Mississippi State Department of Health determines after review that there is only one (1) source for the required commodity, the Mississippi State Department of Health will appeal to the Public Procurement Review Board. Mississippi State Department of Health will have the burden of proving that the commodity is only provided by one (1) source. Notices/objections, etc. will be accepted at any time prior to: __Wednesday, 02/01/17__, at 3:00 p.m. (CST)

