

## NOTICES

### INTENT TO SOLE SOURCE

The South Carolina Department of Health & Environmental Control (DHEC) is seeking a qualified vendor to provide Cepheid Xpert Carba-R Kits, Collection Device for implementation of additional testing capabilities for Carbapenemase Producing Organisms (CPO) colonization testing. All components and consumables herein must be provided by the same vendor. Testing is for Long Term Acute Care facilities for CPOs, specifically Carbapenemase Resistant Enterobacterales (CRE) /Carbapenemase Resistant Pseudomonas aeruginosa (CRPA) and Carbapenemase Resistant Acinetobacter species (CRAB) colonization. The Cepheid Carba-R kits run on the Cepheid 16X will allow testing to be brought in house here at DHEC. The total estimated dollar amount of the purchase not to exceed \$100,000.00 over a two-year period.

Qualified vendors should contact Whitney Carswell at carswewp@dhec.sc.gov by Midnight ET, October 11, 2022 for additional information.

### PROTESTS:

If you are aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest an award, you must (i) submit notice of your intent to protest within five (5) business days of the date this notice is posted, and (ii) submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date this notice is posted. Days are calculated as provided in Section 11-35-310(13). Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be in writing and must be received by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. The grounds of the protest and the relief requested must be set forth with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided. Any protest or notice of intent to protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Materials Management Office, and submitted in writing (a) by email to: [protest-mmo@mmo.state.sc.us](mailto:protest-mmo@mmo.state.sc.us) or (b) by post or delivery to: 1201 Main Street, Suite 600, Columbia, SC 29201.