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Bid Number: SAMRC/HPRU-POLS/2024/14

Invitation to Provision of Outsourced Laboratory Services

The South African Medical Research Council (SAMRC), invites proposals from suitably qualified and experienced laboratory service providers to perform general and/or clinical trial samples processing/testing, on an as-and-when-needed-basis. It is envisaged that requirements for testing may differ from time-to-time depending on the client and/or sponsor requirements. Successful bidder must be SANAS accredited, Good Clinical Laboratory Practice (GCLP) Compliant, and compliance with 21 Codes of Federal Regulations. The key staff members of the successful bidder must have completed GCLP training.

A non-compulsory virtual briefing session will be held at the SAMRC on 02 September 2024 at 11h00. Prospective supplier(s) that wish to attend the briefing sessions, should email their Microsoft Teams credential to Tenders@mrc.ac.za prior to the meeting date. Notwithstanding the above, a link for the briefing session will be provided to all suppliers that have registered and downloaded the bid document within two(2) days before the meeting date and time.

Completed bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope bearing bidder's company name, address, bid description and number, and hand delivered or mailed to: South African Medical Research Council, Tender Box, Francie van Zijl Drive, Parow Valley, Tygerberg, Western Cape; and must arrive before the closing date and time. Late, faxed or e-mailed bids will not be accepted. One (1) original hard copy of completed bid document and 1 USB flash drive containing full and same tender information as in the hard copy (PDF format) must be submitted.

Alternatively, bidder(s) can submit their completed bids proposals with supporting documents through the SAMRC website ([Current Tenders](http://www.mrc.ac.za/CurrentTenders) | [South African Medical Research Council \(samrc.ac.za\)](http://www.mrc.ac.za/SouthAfricanMedicalResearchCouncil))

Responsive bids will firstly be evaluated on functionality and thereafter on an 80/20 preference point system in terms of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (Act 5 of 2000) and Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022

Please note that:

- This bid is valid for one hundred and twenty (120) days after closing date for the submission of bids;
- It is compulsory that bidders obtain bid documents, available for downloading on the SAMRC website (<http://www.mrc.ac.za/Tenders/tenders.htm>) from 21 August 2024 to 20 September 2024. No hardcopy bid document will be issued by the SAMRC.
- Bidders must register on the National Treasury's Central Supplier Database (CSD) prior to submitting bids, by login onto <https://secure.csd.gov.za/>. With effect from 1 July 2016, SAMRC may not award any bid to supplier not registered as prospective supplier on CSD. Submit with this bid your CSD supplier number and unique registration reference number for SAMRC to verify your company's registration on CSD.
- Negotiations for the bid award will only be concluded with the qualifying bidder(s) who is/are registered on the CSD and whom key information outlined in this bid document is in order.
- Failure to comply with all submission requirements such as the USB for traditional submission, and others **will** lead to disqualification of the bidder(s).
- The SAMRC is not compelled to accept lowest or alternative bid and reserves the right to accept part or the whole of any bid or cancel the bid.
- All tender progress / results will be updated / published on the SAMRC website <http://www.mrc.ac.za/tenders-or-scm/current-tender>; therefore, no regret letters will be issued.
- Bidder(s) must be able to supply all the required items as indicated in the bid specifications.
- Documents and USB flash drives submitted on time by bidders shall not be returned.
- Appointment will be subject to successful bidder agreeing to sign a service level agreement with the SAMRC to adhere to the terms and conditions set out in the bid document;
- It is envisaged that SAMRC will conclude service contract with successful bidder(s) for a period of 36 months, reviewed annually, and an option to extend for 24 months at the sole discretion of the SAMRC.

All enquiries (both technical and general) relating to the bid process must be directed in writing to tenders@mrc.ac.za. The bid number should be quoted in all correspondences. No telephonic enquiries will be responded to.

The closing date and time for the submission of bids is 20 September 2024 at 11h00.