
COVER LETTER

**YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF GROOTE SCHUUR HOSPITAL
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS-WESTERN CAPE GOVERNMENT**

BID NUMBER: GSH: PT201/2025

CLOSING DATE: **1st of August 2025**

CLOSING TIME: 11H00am

THE PLACEMENT OF TWO (2) OPHTHALMOLOGICAL MACHINES FOR VITREORETINAL WORK IN THE POSTERIOR SEGMENT (AS WELL AS PHACOEMULSIFICATION) AND THE SUPPLY OF ALL CONSUMABLES INCLUDING A FULLY COMPREHENSIVE MAINTENANCE FOR GROOTE SCHUUR HOSPITAL OVER A THREE (3) YEAR PERIOD, WITH THE OPTION TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO (2) YEARS, SUBJECT TO SUPPLIER PERFORMANCE. GSH WILL PAY FOR THE CONSUMABLES ONLY.

The successful bidder will be required to complete and sign a written contract form (WCB7.1).

BID DOCUMENTS MAY BE POSTED TO:

JOANNE JOOSTE, PROCUREMENT (BID OFFICE),
FIRST FLOOR F46, ROOM 53, OLD MAIN BUILDING,
GROOTE SCHUUR HOSPITAL, OBSERVATORY 7925

OR

DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED IN: THE FOYER, MAIN ENTRANCE, OLD MAIN BUILDING,
GROOTE SCHUUR HOSPITAL, OBSERVATORY 7925

Please note the following important information and requirements:

Bidders should ensure that bids are delivered timeously to the correct address. If the bid is late, it will not be accepted for consideration. Should uncertainty exist regarding the location of the Institution's bid box, bidders are advised to refrain from soliciting the advice of the Security Personnel on duty and to rather contact **Joanne Jooste (Tel: 021 404 4221)** for assistance. No names of bidders or prices will be read out at the time of closing. The bid box is generally open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

If you know of any corrupt, fraudulent or collusive actions in the Institution, please report it by calling the National Hotline 0800 701 701.

All bids must be accompanied by a letter signed by the bidder, authorizing the Institution, in name, instead of the bidder, to confirm with third parties the accuracy of any information submitted as part of this bid.

Bidder to indicate which other currently pending bids issued by the Institution it has applied for, and which bids, if any, have been awarded to it in the past. If bidders have previously submitted offers for other bids or are at the same time bidding in relation to the supply of other goods/services, the Institution reserves the right to compare the respective bid documentation and information provided by the bidder.

This bid is subject to the General Conditions of Contract (GCC) and, if applicable, any other Special Conditions of Contract. **The 80:20 Points System shall be applicable to bids up to R50 000 000 and the 90:10 Points System to bids over R50 000 000. The lowest acceptable tender will be used to determine the preference point system.**

All Bidders must be duly registered on the Central Supplier Database (CSD) at the time of bid closing.

	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE
Self-registration	www.csd.gov.za (self-registration only)
Contact email	SCMeProcurement.DOH@westerncape.gov.za
Contact telephone	021 483 0582

In instances where a bidder's tax compliance status becomes non-compliant during evaluation and before award, the recommended bidder/s must be afforded 7 working days to confirm tax compliance in order for the bid to be considered.

Only the B-BBEE status reflected on form WCBD 6.1 in their bid document will apply to the evaluation of the relevant formal bids and not their B-BBEE status on the CSD. Bidders are further required to complete the attached form WCBD 4. All other mandatory documents held on CSD will be accepted by Western Cape Government Health (WCGH) for the consideration of formal bids."

Bidders must be duly **registered** on CSD at **closing of the award**.

**** "duly registered"** means that a supplier is registered on the CSD by means of valid mandatory registration documents, including TCC or other documentation confirming the bidder's tax compliance status at the time of the award and WCBD4. If these documents have expired, such supplier will be suspended on the WCSEB.

Bidders need to submit bid documents **under the same name as per the site meeting attendance register and/or as per the bid register** when they obtain the bid documents. Bid documents will not be evaluated if there is a discrepancy in the company name.

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The following completed bid documents are the documents required in your bid and can be submitted to this office in the order as suggested:

- Special Conditions (if applicable)
- WCBD 1 – The Bid. (FAILURE TO COMPLETE AND SIGN PART A & PART B FORMS WILL INVALIDATE YOUR BID.)
- WCBD 3.1 to 3.3 - Specification/your schedule of offers
- WCBD 4 – Declaration of interest
- WCBD 5 – National Industrial Participation Programme
- Amended WCBD 6.1 & 6.2 – form to claim points as BBBEE contributor
- Sworn Affidavit – BBBEE Qualifying Small Enterprise
- Supplier's checklist
- BBBEE Certificate (valid original or certified copy)
- Annexure A – Specifications Document

Please refer all bid and specification enquiries to the following officials:

- Joanne Jooste at telephone number (021) 404-4221 or email: Joanne.Jooste@westerncape.gov.za
- Charlotte Humphries at telephone number (021) 404-2356 or email: Charlotte.Humphries@westerncape.gov.za



DEPUTY DIRECTOR: SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

DATE:



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SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

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THIS BID IS DUE AT 11:00 ON 1 AUGUST 2025

VALIDITY EXPIRES ON 1 OCTOBER 2025

1. DELIVERY LOCATIONS

- 1.1 Goods are required for delivery to the Direct Issue Store, A-floor, A22 of Groote Schuur Hospital, an institution under the control of the Department of Health, Western Cape Government in such quantities as specified in the bid specification/pricing schedules.

2. DELIVERY AND DOCUMENTS (GCC Par. 10.1 and 10.2)

- 2.1 The successful bidder is to ensure that delivery of the offered equipment be supplied, delivered and commissioned on site no later than **14 November 2025**.

3. PRICES (GCC Par. 17)

- 3.1 Bid prices shall be quoted firm or subject to Rate of Exchange.
- 3.2 All prices quoted must include delivery to the various stores as indicated in paragraph 1 above.
- 3.3 **Bid prices shall be quoted nett and VAT INCLUSIVE.** Bidders providing a discount may indicate so.

4. PAYMENT

- 4.1 In the interest of security and expeditious payment, it is the policy of the Groote Schuur Hospital to effect payments by electronic funds transfer (EFT) as far as possible. If a successful bidder is not yet a regular participant in Groote Schuur Hospital's contracts and has not been registered already, the supplier will be required to furnish the Groote Schuur Hospital with its banking details for the systems in operation (Logis, BAS, Syspro) in order to be registered. Successful bidders must ensure, therefore, that their banking details are provided to institutions on request where necessary.

- 4.2 Payment shall be 30 days from receipt of invoice.

- 4.3 Payment Conditions (GCC Par. 16.1)

Payment in full will be made when the designated Hospital Official confirms in writing that the contract conditions have been complied with and that handover in good working order has been received.

- 4.4 Payment Currency (GCC Par. 16.4)

Payment will only be made in Rands in the Republic of South Africa.

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5. NEGOTIATIONS

- 5.1 Groote Schuur Hospital reserves the right to enter into negotiations with bidders (before the contract is concluded) and contractors (after the contract is concluded) regarding *inter alia* price revisions, increases and service delivery should it be deemed necessary.

6. PERFORMANCE SECURITY (GCC Par. 7.1 + 7.4)

- 6.1 No performance security amount is specified or required to be paid to the purchaser.

7. INSURANCE (GCC Par. 11.1)

- 7.1 The ownership of the goods and responsibility for safekeeping thereof remains the responsibility of the supplier until the equipment are handed over in good working order to the designated official in the hospital.

8. TRANSPORTATION (GCC Par. 12.1)

- 8.1 An all-inclusive delivered, to point of use price is required.

9. WARRANTY (GCC Par. 15)

- 9.1 Warranty period (GCC Par. 15.2)

- The warranty shall remain valid for 12 months after the equipment have been handed over to the designated hospital official.

10. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES (GCC Par. 27)

- 10.1 Mediation Proceedings (GCC Par.27.1)

- The mediation shall be informal. The Head: Department of Health shall have the absolute discretion to determine the procedure to be followed.

11. APPLICABLE LAW (GCC Par. 30)

- The contract shall be determined in accordance with South African laws.

12. GENERAL

Receipt of the invitation to bid does not confer any right on any party in respect of the services or in respect of, or against, Groote Schuur Hospital. Groote Schuur Hospital reserves the right, in its sole discretion:

- 12.1 To withdraw any services from the bid process, to terminate any party's participation in the bid process or to accept or reject any response to this invitation to bid on notice to the bidders without liability to any party; accordingly, parties have no rights, expressed or implied, with respect to any of the services as a result of their participation in the bid process,
- 12.2 To amend the bid process, closing date or any other date at its sole discretion,
- 12.3 To cancel the bid or any part of the bid before the bid has been awarded,

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27.5 Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court proceedings herein,

(a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and

(b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier.

28. Limitation of liability 28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;

(a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and

(b) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.

29. Governing language

29.1 The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.

30. Applicable law

30.1 The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

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12.4 **Not to accept** the lowest or any other bid and to accept the bid which it deems shall be in the best interest of the Department,

12.5 **Not to award** the bid to the highest points or lowest price,

12.6 **To reject** all responses submitted and to embark on a new bid process.

13. CONTACT DETAILS

13.1 Please provide the particulars of the contact person responsible for all queries related to this bid, and if you are successful, this contract, and to whom all correspondence can be directed:

Name:

Designation:

Telephone no with area code: Fax no:

Cellphone no: Email address:

14. Enquiries may be directed to the bid administrator, Joanne Jooste at Tel no (021) 404 4221;

Joanne.Jooste@westerncape.gov.za

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25.2 If a force majeure situation arises, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the purchaser in writing, the supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.

26. Termination for insolvency

26.1 The purchaser may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the supplier if the supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the purchaser.

27. Settlement of disputes

27.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the purchaser and the supplier in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.

27.2 If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the purchaser or the supplier may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party.

27.3 Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.

27.4 Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.

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NOTE TO BIDDER

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR

Profit Before Tax Percentage

In order for this office to determine whether the bid/tender price is fair and reasonable, we would require, from your company, the Profit Before Tax Percentage for this specific project.

What is profit before tax?

This is the nett profit after deducting of all costs, including overheads, administrative costs, etc., from income but before deducting tax. Therefore, this profit figure is before tax and is calculated as a percentage of income from the project/item or, where project figures are not available, as a percentage of total turnover.

Profit before tax percentage.....

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- b) if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or
- (c) if the supplier, in the judgment of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.

23.2 In the event the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services. However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.

24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights

24.1 When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or anti-dumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is increased in respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is not liable for any amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of any such increase. When, after the said date, such a provisional payment is no longer required or any such anti-dumping or countervailing right is abolished, or where the amount of such provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such favorable difference shall on demand be paid forthwith by the contractor to the State or the State may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) which may otherwise be due to the contractor in regard to supplies or services which he delivered or rendered, or is to deliver or render in terms of the contract or any other contract or any other amount which may be due to him

25. Force Majeure

25.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.

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SWORN AFFIDAVIT – B-BBEE QUALIFYING SMALL ENTERPRISE

I, the undersigned,

Full name & Surname	
Identity number	

I hereby declare under oath as follows:

1. The contents of this statement are to the best of my knowledge a true reflection of the facts.
2. I am a member / director / owner of the following enterprise and am duly authorised to act on its behalf:

Enterprise Name	
Trading Name	
Registration Number	
Enterprise Address	

3. I hereby declare under oath that:

- The enterprise is _____ % black owned;
- The enterprise is _____ % black woman owned;
- Based on the management accounts and other information available on the _____ financial year, the income did not exceed R50,000,000.00 (fifty million rands);
- The entity is an Empowering Supplier in terms of Clause 3.3 (a) or (b) or (c) or (d) or as amended 3.3 (e) (select one) _____ of the DTIC Codes of Good Practice.
- Please confirm on the table below the B-BBEE level contributor, by ticking the applicable box.

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21.5 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2 without the application of penalties.

21.6 Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the purchaser shall, without canceling the contract, be entitled to purchase supplies of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of the goods not supplied in conformity with the contract and to return any goods delivered later at the supplier's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such goods as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the supplier.

22. Penalties

22.1 Subject to GCC Clause 25, if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods or to perform the services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the purchaser shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as a penalty, a sum calculated on the delivered price of the delayed goods or unperformed services using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The purchaser may also consider termination of the contract pursuant to GCC Clause 23.

23. Termination for default

23.1 The purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the supplier, may terminate this contract in whole or in part:

- (a) if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the purchaser pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2;

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100% black owned	Level One (135% B-BBEE procurement recognition)		
More than 51% black owned	Level Two (125% B-BBEE procurement recognition)		
(a) At least 25% of cost of sales, (excluding labour costs and depreciation) must be procurement from local producers or suppliers in South Africa; for the services industry include labour costs but capped at 15%,		(b) Job Creation – 50% of jobs created are for black people, provided that the number of black employees in the immediate prior verified B-BBEE measurement is maintained	
(c) At least 25% transformation of raw material / beneficiation which include local manufacturing, production and /or assembly, and/ or packaging		(d) At least 12 days per annum of productivity deployed in assisting QSE and EME beneficiaries to increase their operation or financial capacity	
(e) At least 85% of labour costs should be paid to South African employees by service industry entities.			

4. I know and understand the contents of this affidavit and I have no objection to take the prescribed oath and consider the oath binding on my conscience and on the owners of the enterprise which I represent in this matter.
5. The sworn affidavit will be valid for a period of 12 months from the date signed by commissioner.

Deponent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Commissioner of Oaths

Signature & stamp

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19. Assignment

- 19.1 The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent.

20. Subcontracts

- 20.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contract if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract.

21. Delays in the supplier's performance

- 21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract.
- 21.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.
- 21.3 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.
- 21.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.

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CHECKLIST FOR EQUIPMENT BIDS

The presence of incomplete and/or unsigned and/or absent documents from bid offers have become an unfortunate tendency since the inception of new bid forms in January 2004.

It has become increasingly noticeable that bidders are unaware of the importance of the various bid documents. The finalisations of bids are significantly delayed by the Department's resultant efforts to obtain the information/signatures/absent documents.

The purpose of this checklist is to:

- highlight all critical documents that constitute a complete bid and provide some general instructions for their completion,
- provide bidders with a final opportunity to ensure that all these critical documents are PROPERLY COMPLETED and INCLUDED in their final offer, and
- enable this office to verify that bidders have attempted to ensure that all required documents in their offer have been completed/signed/included.

Please read this checklist in conjunction with the content of the relevant form in each case.

Note: Bidders should mark the relevant boxes under the heading "Bidders" with X, please.

The Boxes under "Health" will be used to verify replies at this office.

Bidders must complete this checklist and include it in their bid documents, please.

Bidder	
Yes	No
<i>The Special Conditions of bid document provides general instructions regarding critical aspects of the bid process including the provision of samples, testing and inspection of products, statement of supplies, quantities required, delivery rates, provision of prices, use of price increase formulae, payment and negotiations.</i>	
WCBD 1 constitutes the formalization of the bidder's bid and failure to complete and sign it in full may render the bid invalid.	

Have you indicated whether your delivery period is firm, whether your bid price will remain firm in all respects for the duration of the contract and whether your prices will be subject to exchange rate variations by circling YES or NO in the relevant paragraphs?		
Have you indicated your delivery rate per week and month and discounts offered on individual orders of various values by completing the relevant paragraphs?		
Form WCBD 1, INVITATION TO BID: Have you completed all aspects of this form FULLY, including the YES/NO questions? Have you provided a SIGNATURE and indication of the signatory's capacity?		

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15.4 Upon receipt of such notice, the supplier shall, within the period specified in SCC and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective goods or parts thereof, without costs to the purchaser.

15.5 If the supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the period specified in SCC, the purchaser may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the purchaser may have against the supplier under the contract.

16. Payment

16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.

16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfillment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.

16.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier.

16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.

17. Prices

17.1 Prices charged by the supplier for goods delivered and services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the supplier in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.

18. Contract amendments

18.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.

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Did you remember to include your B-BEE status level verification certificate?		
<i>WCBD 3 forms constitute a bidder's offer for a product/service. Bidders must ONLY include completed WCBD 3 forms for products/services on which they have made ACTUAL offers (i.e. bidders should NOT include blank WCBD 3 forms in their offer, please).</i>		
Form WCBD 3.1 : Have you provided your company name, bid, number, BID PRICE including VAT and ensured that you have quoted for the correct unit of supply? Have you completed the questionnaire under the table with your prices in full?		
FIRM prices - Form WCBD 3.1/2 : Have you furnished all information regarding prices subject to <u>rate of exchange variations</u> in the table provided?		
NON-FIRM prices – Form WCBD 3.1/2 : Have you furnished all information regarding prices subject to <u>proven adjustments</u> in the table provided and included as annexures all other relevant details?		
<i>Amended WCBD 6.1 has two purposes. Firstly it is an introduction to terms and definitions used to explain the use of a points system to recommend bids. This form also contains formulae for calculations used during points adjudications.</i>		
<i>Secondly Amended WCBD 6.1 is used by bidders to claim points for being classified as B-BBEE contributor. Bidders are required to provide an original or a certified copy of a B-BBEE certificate issued by a verification body accredited by SANAS.</i>		
Have you read and SIGNED the declaration in paragraph 9.8, provided TWO WITNESS SIGNATURES and your company address?		
Have you completed the Sworn Affidavit – BBEE Qualifying Small Enterprise?		

Other general instructions:

The *General Conditions of Contract* is intended to draw special attention to general conditions applicable to government bids, contracts and orders and to ensure that bidders are familiar with the rights and obligations of all parties involved in doing business with Government. **Bidders must not include the General Conditions of Contract in their bid offers, please.**

Bidders are advised against including bulky product brochures, extensive company profiles and empowerment initiatives in their bid offers **unless they are requested specifically elsewhere in the bid documents, or have a direct influence on the bidder's offer.**

Please sign this checklist as confirmation that it has been read and completed. The signatory shall be the person who

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- (a) such spare parts as the purchaser may elect to purchase from the supplier, provided that this election shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under the contract; and
- (b) in the event of termination of production of the spare parts:
 - (i) Advance notification to the purchaser of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the purchaser to procure needed requirements; and
 - (ii) following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the purchaser, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested

15. Warranty

- 15.1 The supplier warrants that the goods supplied under the contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the contract. The supplier further warrants that all goods supplied under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the purchaser's specifications) or from any act or omission of the supplier, that may develop under normal use of the supplied goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination.
- 15.2 This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the goods, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise in SCC.
- 15.3 The purchaser shall promptly notify the supplier in writing of any claims arising under this warranty.

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signs the **WCBD1 Invitation to Bid** form for and on behalf of the bidder.

Print name

Signature

Capacity of signatory (manager, director, etc.)

THANK YOU FOR THE TIME AND EFFORT SPENT TO COMPLETE THIS CHECKLIST FULLY AND ACCURATELY

For Head Office use only – Verification of information provided by bidder

Responsible official – print name

Signature and rank

Date

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including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:

- (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods;
- (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods
- (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods;
- (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under this contract; and
- (e) training of the purchaser's personnel, at the supplier's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied goods.

13.2 Prices charged by the supplier for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the goods, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the supplier for similar services.

14. Spare parts

14.1 As specified in SCC, the supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following materials, notifications, and information pertaining to spare parts manufactured or distributed by the supplier:

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13. **CONTACT DETAILS**

13.1 Please provide the particulars of the contact person responsible for all queries related to this bid, and if you are successful, this contract, and to whom all correspondence can be directed:

Name:

Designation:

Telephone no with area code: Fax no:

Cellphone no: Email address:

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- 9.1 Warranty period (GCC Par. 15.2)

- The warranty shall remain valid for 12 months after the equipment have been handed over to the designated hospital official.

10. **SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES (GCC Par. 27)**

- 10.1 **Mediation Proceedings (GCC Par.27.1)**

- The mediation shall be informal. The Head: Department of Health shall have the absolute discretion to determine the procedure to be followed.

11. **APPLICABLE LAW (GCC Par. 30)**

- The contract shall be determined in accordance with South African laws.

12. **GENERAL**

Receipt of the invitation to bid does not confer any right on any party in respect of the services or in respect of, or against, Groote Schuur Hospital. Groote Schuur Hospital reserves the right, in its sole discretion:

- 12.1 **To withdraw** any services from the bid process, **to terminate** any party's participation in the bid process or **to accept or reject** any response to this invitation to bid on notice to the bidders without liability to any party; accordingly, parties have no rights, expressed or implied, with respect to any of the services as a result of their participation in the bid process,
- 12.2 **To amend** the bid process, closing date or any other date at its sole discretion,
- 12.3 **To cancel** the bid or any part of the bid before the bid has been awarded,

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| 19. Assignment | 19.1 The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent. |
| 20. Subcontracts | 20.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contract if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract. |
| 21. Delays in the supplier's performance | <p>21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract.</p> <p>21.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.</p> <p>21.3 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.</p> <p>21.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.</p> |

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

GSH: 2/2025 THE SUPPLY, DELIVERY, INSTALLATION, TESTING, CALIBRATION, DEMONSTRATION, TRAINING AND COMMISSIONING OF A 4K ENDOSCOPIC VIDEO CAMERA STACK UNIT TO BE USED IN D16 NEURO THEATRE AT GROOTE SCHUUR HOSPITAL.

THIS BID IS DUE AT 11:00 ON 31 JULY 2025

VALIDITY EXPIRES ON 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

1. DELIVERY LOCATIONS

- 1.1 Goods are required for delivery to the Direct Issue Store, A-floor, A22 of Groote Schuur Hospital, an institution under the control of the Department of Health, Western Cape Government in such quantities as specified in the bid specification/pricing schedules.

2. DELIVERY AND DOCUMENTS (GCC Par. 10.1 and 10.2)

- 2.1 The successful bidder is to ensure that delivery of the offered equipment be supplied, delivered and commissioned on site no later than **12 September 2025**.

3. PRICES (GCC Par. 17)

- 3.1 Bid prices shall be quoted firm or subject to Rate of Exchange.
- 3.2 All prices quoted must include delivery to the various stores as indicated in paragraph 1 above.
- 3.3 **Bid prices shall be quoted nett and VAT INCLUSIVE.** Bidders providing a discount may indicate so.

4. PAYMENT

- 4.1 In the interest of security and expeditious payment, it is the policy of the Groote Schuur Hospital to effect payments by electronic funds transfer (EFT) as far as possible. If a successful bidder is not yet a regular participant in Groote Schuur Hospital's contracts and has not been registered already, the supplier will be required to furnish the Groote Schuur Hospital with its banking details for the systems in operation (Logis, BAS, Syspro) in order to be registered. Successful bidders must ensure, therefore, that their banking details are provided to institutions on request where necessary.

- 4.2 Payment shall be 30 days from receipt of invoice.

- 4.3 Payment Conditions (GCC Par. 16.1)

Payment in full will be made when the designated Hospital Official confirms in writing that the contract conditions have been complied with and that handover in good working order has been received.

- 4.4 Payment Currency (GCC Par. 16.4)

Payment will only be made in Rands in the Republic of South Africa.

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21.5 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2 without the application of penalties.

21.6 Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the purchaser shall, without canceling the contract, be entitled to purchase supplies of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of the goods not supplied in conformity with the contract and to return any goods delivered later at the supplier's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such goods as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the supplier.

22. Penalties

22.1 Subject to GCC Clause 25, if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods or to perform the services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the purchaser shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as a penalty, a sum calculated on the delivered price of the delayed goods or unperformed services using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The purchaser may also consider termination of the contract pursuant to GCC Clause 23.

23. Termination for default

23.1 The purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the supplier, may terminate this contract in whole or in part:

- (a) if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the purchaser pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2;

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- b) if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or
- (c) if the supplier, in the judgment of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.

23.2 In the event the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services. However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.

24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights

24.1 When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or anti-dumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is increased in respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is not liable for any amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of any such increase. When, after the said date, such a provisional payment is no longer required or any such anti-dumping or countervailing right is abolished, or where the amount of such provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such favorable difference shall on demand be paid forthwith by the contractor to the State or the State may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) which may otherwise be due to the contractor in regard to supplies or services which he delivered or rendered, or is to deliver or render in terms of the contract or any other contract or any other amount which may be due to him

25. Force Majeure

25.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.

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- 25.2 If a force majeure situation arises, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the purchaser in writing, the supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.

26. Termination for insolvency

- 26.1 The purchaser may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the supplier if the supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the purchaser.

27. Settlement of disputes

- 27.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the purchaser and the supplier in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.
- 27.2 If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the purchaser or the supplier may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party.
- 27.3 Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.
- 27.4 Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.

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27.5 Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court proceedings herein,

(a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and

(b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier.

28. Limitation of liability 28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;

(a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and

(b) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.

29. Governing language 29.1 The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.

30. Applicable law 30.1 The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

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31. Notices

- 31.1 Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper service of such notice
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- 31.2 The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.

32. Taxes and duties

- 32.1 A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.
- 32.2 A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.
- 32.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.

33. National Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme

- 33.1 The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade, Industry and Competition shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation.

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**34. Prohibition of
Restrictive practices**

- 34.1 In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder (s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding (or bid rigging).
- 34.2 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser, has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998.
- 34.3 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), has / have been found guilty by the Competition Commission of the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided for, invalidate the bid(s) for such item(s) offered, and / or terminate the contract in whole or part, and / or restrict the bidder(s) or contractor(s) from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years and / or claim damages from the bidder(s) or contractor(s) concerned.

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