

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification for Single Source Awards IAW [FAR 13.106-1](#)

For

Over Micro-Purchase Threshold but Not Exceeding the SAT (\$150K)

Acquisition Plan Action ID: 693-18-3-134-0163 Verrata Plus Pressure Guide Wire

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 4, NC04, Wilkes Barre Medical Center
This is a request from the Medical Service, Cardiology Specialty, Cardiac Cath Lab for supplies necessary to perform newly approved Percutaneous Coronary Intervention Services. 693-18-3-134-0163
2. **Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:**
Verrata Plus Pressure Guide Wire; item # 10185P; 185cm length, Straight Tip.
This is a request for a new Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contract for six (6) months base plus four (4) option periods to purchase Verrata Plus Pressure Guide Wires. The estimated cost will be \$81,480.00 per period of performance. These items will be used by the Cardiac Cath Lab, for an estimated 50% - 70% of veteran catheterization procedures. The exact quantity cannot be determined, as it will be predicated on number of veterans scheduled, lab availability, staffing. Medical Service anticipates a steady increase in the volume of procedures using this item.
3. **Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:** When the VAMC Wilkes Barre Cardiac Cath lab was constructed, it was equipped with the Philips Volcano S5 Integrated System, using instantaneous flow reserve (iFR). The Verrata Plus Pressure Guide Wire is the only guide wire compatible with this existing system. This guide wire is a highly specialized, single-use, sterile supply item for insertion in the coronary artery, to measure blood pressure before and after a blockage. Attempt to substitute an alternate guide wire into the existing cardiac cath lab system, would introduce significant risk to the veteran patient. If competition was allowed for this product, and an alternate manufacturer secured the contract, a complete re-build of the cardiac cath lab, and retraining of staff would be required, causing delay of patient care and excessive cost incurred by the medical center. Verrata Plus is the brand name of the guide wire supplied by Volcano Corporations.
4. **Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:**
NAC, ECAT, and GSA were searched using the product number, description, and manufacturer, with no successful results. The internet was searched and other guide wires were found by other manufacturers that would not be compatible with the existing cardiac cath lab system. Three alternate suppliers of medical guide wires were found, but they did not stock the item needed.
5. **Contracting Officer's Certification:** *Purchase is approved in accordance with FAR13.106-1(b). I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.*
Note: COs are required to make a determination of price reasonableness IAW FAR 13.106-3. See the [S19 Open Market \(FAR13\) Award Documentation Form with Abstract](#) to document price reasonableness.

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