

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification for Single Source Awards IAW [FAR 13.106-1](#)
For
Over Micro-Purchase Threshold but Not Exceeding the SAT (\$250K)

Acquisition Plan Action ID: _36C263-18-AP-1765_____

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, NCO 23, St. Cloud VA Health Care System, 4801 Veterans Drive, MN 56303. Organization Activity: Minneapolis VA Health Care System (MVAHCS), One Veterans Drive Minneapolis, MN 55417, 618-18-4-040-0362.

2. **Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:**

Firm fixed price sole source delivery order for virtual reality surgical simulation trainer equipment (Simbionix UltrasoundMentor and Dicom to Print (D2P)) for the VISN 23 Simulation program from Simbionix USA Corp. The UltrasoundMentor will be used by the Omaha VA for transesophageal Echogram (TEE) virtual training and the D2P is needed as VISN 23 is forecasted to become the primary 3D Printing Region for the VHA by Fall 2018. D2P is a FDA cleared software and hardware used for viewing CT scans of the human body in a three-dimensional view for use in pre-surgical modeling and printing. The system affords the user to view the dimension via virtual reality (VR) goggles. The software allows the ability to design, visualize and print 3D models.

The estimated value of the proposed action is [REDACTED]

Period of Performance: 90 days ARO

3. **Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:**

The VISN 23 Simulation Program currently utilizes 20 Simbionix virtual reality surgical simulation trainers. VISN 23 currently has 1 Simbionix UltrasoundMentor trainer with Transesophageal Echogram (TEE) virtual training capability and requires an additional trainer for expanded training capability. VISN 23 is also forecasted to become the primary 3D Printing Region for the VHA by Fall 2018. As part of this VISN 23 requires Dicom to Print hardware, software and virtual reality goggles to be used to view 3D files by providers for presurgical modeling, segmentation and practice. There are only two FDA cleared companies that are able to 3D Print medical models. Of these two companies only Simbionix offers a perpetual software license allowing continual usage of their software and hardware. The other company requires payment of an annual software license, which without would prevent VISN 23 from utilizing the software and hardware preventing pre-surgical modeling and printing. The manufacture Simbionix USA Corp provided verification that these items are only available directly from them. There are no authorized distributors.

4. **Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:**

VetBiz was searched under NAICS code 339112 which returned 319 results. The manufacture Simbionix USA Corp, a large business, was contacted and they provided verification that these items are only available directly from them. There are no authorized distributors. They also provided verification that the main components required by VISN 23's Simulation program's upgrade/expansion are available through their GSA contract, GS-02F-0049W and the other components are available through the open market.

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.*

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