

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification and Approval (J&A)
For
Other Than Full and Open Competition (>SAT)

Acquisition Plan Action ID: 36C256-18-AP-0783

1. **Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, Network Contracting Office (NCO) 16, VISN 16, Veterans Health Care System of the Ozarks, Springfield, MO Community Based Outpatient Clinic.

Purchase Request (2237) Number: 564-18-3-1099-0109.

2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:** The action being reviewed and approved is Justification and Approval for Other Than Full and Open Competition for the procurement of StarDental brand name only handpieces and handpiece connects to be used at the Springfield, MO CBOC. This action will be awarded as a one-time, new, firm-fixed-price purchase order.

FAR13.5 Simplified Procedures for Certain Commercial Items: This procurement is for StarDental handpieces and handpiece connects to be used for activation of Springfield, MO CBOC in accordance with FAR 13.5 Simplified Procedures for Certain Commercial Items and specifically FAR 13.501 Special Documentation Requirements, where acquisitions conducted under Simplified Acquisition Procedures are exempt from the requirements of FAR Part 6, but still require a justification using the format of FAR 6.303-2.

3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:**

The Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System will be activating a new Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC) in Springfield, MO. The requested StarDental brand handpieces and handpiece connects for use in the new Dental Clinic at the CBOC. The StarDental handpieces will be used for fillings, crowns, surgical extractions and cleaning for Veterans. The following dental instruments and supplies are required for patient care:

Item #	Description/Part Number*	Qty
264450	430 SWL LF FO Highspeed HP	60
263758	HiFlo Quick Connect Swivel w/ FO	4
261547	HiFlo Quick Connect Swivel w/o FO	4
264422	Prophy Star 3 LF	24
263941	Titan-T Slow Speed Motor (20,000)	60
263970	Titan-T Angle Motor Adapters	50
263950	Titan-T LF Auto Latch Angle	25
263954	Titan-T Friction Grip Auto Chuck Angle	35

The total estimated value of this procurement is [REDACTED]

4. Statutory Authority Permitting Other than Full and Open Competition:

- ☒ (1) Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements per FAR 6.302-1;
- ☐ (2) Unusual and Compelling Urgency per FAR 6.302-2;
- ☐ (3) Industrial Mobilization, Engineering, Developmental or Research Capability or Expert Services per FAR 6.302-3;
- ☐ (4) International Agreement per FAR 6.302-4
- ☐ (5) Authorized or Required by Statute FAR 6.302-5;
- ☐ (6) National Security per FAR 6.302-6;
- ☐ (7) Public Interest per FAR 6.302-7;

FAR13.5 Simplified Procedures for Certain Commercial Items: The authority for applying the Simplified Procedures for Commercial Items of FAR 13.5 is 41 U.S.C. 1901 and is implemented by for restricting competition on this procurement via FAR 13.106-1(b)(2).

41 U.S.C. 3304(a)(1): Only one responsible source and no other supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements.

5. Demonstration that the Contractor's Unique Qualifications or Nature of the Acquisition Requires the Use of the Authority Cited Above (applicability of authority):

VHSO is currently using StarDental handpieces at their Fayetteville, AR location. SPS guidelines require continuity per VHA Directive 1116. Staff currently use StarDental handpieces which will provide a seamless transition for dental staff that may be required to see patients at both locations. The facility's established standard operating procedures and competencies are for StarDental handpieces. Staff from Fayetteville will be the ones to train and sign off on the competencies for the staff at the Springfield, MO CBOC. Also SPS from Fayetteville will be transporting the RME's from the Springfield CBOC to the Fayetteville, AR hospital for processing and sterilization. The Springfield CBOC has the same dental chairs/units that are currently in use in Fayetteville, and the StarDental handpieces and connects are compatible with the dental chairs/units currently in use by the facility. Any other brand of equipment would not be compatible with existing system, and its cost prohibitive to replace entire system. Its in Government's best interest to procure this specific brand due to need for compatibility with existing system.

StarDental brand name only equipments is being requested in order to standardize with the existing equipment. The use of identical equipment in all dental areas decrease the possibility of human error, therefore increasing patient safety. The use of such descriptions in the acquisition is **essential** to the Government's requirements, thereby precluding consideration of a product manufactured by another company.

6. Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:

To facilitate competition for this acquisition, it is planned to post a brand name only solicitation on the FBO website.

7. Determination by the CO that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable:

The CO anticipates a fair and reasonable cost can be determined through competition.

8. Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:

In order to meet the VA Rule of Two, the CO reviewed the Vendor Information Pages (VIP) database in accordance with VAAR Class Deviation 810.001-70 to determine if two or more service-disabled veteran-owned businesses (SDVOSBs) and veteran-owned small businesses (VOSBs), in the appropriate NAICS code, were listed as verified in the VIP database.

9. Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition:

Market research shows there is adequate competition in support of this new requirement. In accordance with FAR 5.301 and 8.405-6(a)(2), this action will be synopsisized on Federal Business Opportunities Page (FBO).

10. Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition: N/A

11. A Statement of the Actions, if any, the Agency May Take to Remove or Overcome any Barriers to Competition before Making subsequent acquisitions for the supplies or services required:

VA will compete future requirements by the program office to remove or overcome barriers to competition in future acquisitions. VA has and will continue to meet with industry on a periodic basis for continued input and feedback on acquisition strategies. All future acquisitions will be solicited and awarded in a manner that promotes competition to greatest extent practicable.

12. Requirements Certification: I certify that the requirement outlined in this justification is a Bona Fide Need of the Department of Veterans Affairs and that the supporting data under my cognizance, which are included in the justification, are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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13. Approvals in accordance with the VHAPM Part 806.3 OFOC SOP:

- a. **Contracting Officer or Designee's Certification (required):** I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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