

HP05-2021DAI

SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF DIAGNOSTIC AGENTS AND CONTRAST MEDIA TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE PERIOD 01 JULY 2021 TO 30 JUNE 2024

Questions and Answers:

1. As mentioned in tender document, **items 24 and 5 will be considered as a series**
 - Item 5: BLOOD GLUCOSE METER **532,000** (Unit Use for Estimate & Price)
 - Item 24: TEST STRIP for the determination of GLUCOSE in WHOLE BLOOD, 50 strips per container **5,731,410** (Unit Use for Estimate & Price) and a matching blood glucose meter as specified in item 5 **must be supplied at no charge for every 50 containers (of 50 strips) ordered.**

Q - Are these additional quantity from meters must be supplied at no charge are part from estimate quantity of item 5 or separate?

A - **The additional quantities other than the ones supplied with the test strips will be bought by the provinces.**

2. Q - What is the estimate split of both strips & meters across tender period (to avoid shortage in supply and ensure availability when requested)?

A - **As per section 25.2 of the Special Requirements and Conditions of Contracts, the quantities reflected in the bid are estimated quantities and no guarantee is given or implied as to the actual quantity which will be procured during the contract period. Fluctuations in monthly demand may occur.**

3. Q - Is there any specifications/quantities related to lancets (needles), tender is not including lancets in items?

A - **The specification includes a lancing device. Bidder to advise requirements of the lancet for their lancing device offered.**

4. Please confirm the closing date of tender has been amended to September 28th as per attached notice. **Closing date - 28 September 2020**

5. Q - Will the stock delivery definitely be to Central Regional Depots as with the HIV Tender, and not each individual Hospital?

A - The delivery point is determined by the provinces. This will depend on whether the provinces have listed this item as a direct delivery or depot stock on their formulary.

6. The Glucose Test Strip to Meter ratio is 10.77 : 1 if you look at estimated volumes of 5 731 410 Boxes of Strips and 532 000 Glucose Meter. But in the item 24 specification of the Glucose Test Strips, it says that 1 Free Glucose Meter will be required per 50 boxes of Glucose Strips 50's, so a 50:1 ratio. Can you please confirm which is the correct ratio.

A- The estimates are correct. The provinces will be buying some of the Glucometers.

7. Q - How are the bids going to be fairly adjudicated if for example one Company offers all Glucose Meters Free of Charge with a slightly higher Glucose Test Strip price, and another Company charges for Glucose Meters, but offers a lower Glucose Strips price. Will the bid be evaluated based on the 5 731 401 Boxes of 50's x the bid price and 532 000 Glucose Meters x bid price, and then added together. If the Tender Bids are not looked at in totality of expected volumes Meters and Strips, the cost assessment would not be fair to all bidders.

A - The Glucometer and the strips are considered to be a series. Therefore, they will be evaluated together, that is in totality of expected volumes for both.