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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
 State House  
 Concord, New Hampshire 03301

**REQUESTED ACTION**

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services, to enter into **Sole Source** contracts with the Contractors listed below with a shared price limitation not to exceed \$20,000,000 for COVID-19 testing at New Hampshire K-12 schools, effective upon Governor approval through June 30, 2022. 100% Federal Funds.

Vendor Name	Vendor Code	Contract Amount
ClearChoiceMD, LLC	286284	<b>Shared Price Limitation Total: \$20,000,000</b>
ConvenientMD, LLC	285630	
Ginkgo Eloworks	358157	
University of New Hampshire	177867	

\*The Contractors included in this table are subject to change and contingent upon each Contractor returning a signed contract. Any modifications to the list of Contractors will be reflected in the informational item presented to the Executive Council.

Funds are available in the following account for State Fiscal Year 2021, and are anticipated to be available in State Fiscal Year 2022, upon the availability and continued appropriation of funds in the future operating budget, with the authority to adjust budget line items within the price limitation and encumbrances between state fiscal years through the Budget Office, if needed and justified.

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 DEPT OF, HHS: PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION, BUREAU OF LABORATORY SERVICES, ELC  
 – REOPENING SCHOOLS – ARP**

State Fiscal Year	Class / Account	Class Title	Job Number	Total Amount
2021	102-500731	Contracts for Prog Svc	90183542	\$10,000,000
2022	102-500731	Contracts for Prog Svc	90183542	\$10,000,000
			<b>Total</b>	<b>\$20,000,000</b>

### EXPLANATION

This request is **Sole Source** because the Department, in the interest of the public's health and safety in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, determined the Contractors possess the capacity to immediately stand up a COVID-19 Safer at Schools Screening Program in K-12 schools throughout New Hampshire prior to the end of the school year.

The purpose of this request is for the Contractors to facilitate COVID-19 tests for K-12 students and staff. The Contractor will perform asymptomatic testing using the New Hampshire COVID-19 Safer at School Screening Program guidelines. Participation in COVID-19 testing conducted through this contract is completely optional for any school in New Hampshire, and completely optional for any staff member and student at participating schools. Each school will have the option to choose from each of the four (4) Contractors.

COVID-19 testing will be available to students and staff who have traveled internationally or on a cruise ship, participate in contact sports teams, live at a residential K-12 school, are returning to the school setting from an extended break (e.g. Summer or weeklong school vacations), and are in other congregate educational settings where persons are at higher risk of COVID-19 than the general population.

The number of schools and individuals participating in this program will depend on the trajectory of COVID-19 and how many elect to participate.

The Contractors will facilitate communication with the schools to coordinate COVID-19 testing activities. The COVID-19 testing activities include, but are not limited to, coordinating timing with the schools on number of tests needed, communication and education of the testing available to the staff and students, and consent forms. The Contractors will perform COVID-19 tests by utilizing pooled testing and individual diagnostics. If the results of the pooled testing return positive, the Contractor will complete individual diagnostic testing on all the students and/or staff who were tested in the pooled testing. The Contractors will work with an authorized laboratory to conduct the testing of the COVID-19 specimen and provide results to the school within twenty-four (24) hours upon completion of laboratory testing.

The Department will monitor contracted services to ensure Contractors:

- Use best efforts to deploy a testing team on the same day of request by the Department or authorized school.
- Provide test result notification to the individual tested, authorized school, and Department with consent of the individual tested within twenty-four (24) hours upon completion of the test at the authorized processing laboratory.
- Notify authorized schools' staff within twenty-four (24) hours if there are delays in lab testing.
- Provide a point of contact to the authorized schools and notify the authorized schools within twenty-four (24) hours prior to a change in the point of contact.

Area served: Statewide

Source of Funds: CFDA #93.323, FAIN# NU50CK000522

In the event that the Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Lori A. Shibinette  
Commissioner

I hereby approve this request pursuant to RSA 4:45, RSA 21-P:43, and Section 4 of Executive Order 2020-04 as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18, 2020-20, 2020-21, 2020-23, 2020-24, 2020-25, 2021-01, 2021-02, 2021-04, 2021-05, 2021-06, and 2021-08, and suspend the Manual of Procedures 150, V., A., 3 requirements.

MAY 24, 2021  
Date

  
Name: Governor Christopher T. Sununu