

This announcement is a **SOURCES SOUGHT NOTICE, 36C25523Q0150**. This sources-sought notice is for preliminary planning purposes; therefore, no proposals are being requested or accepted at this time. **THIS IS NOT A SOLICITATION FOR PROPOSALS AND NO CONTRACTS SHALL BE AWARDED FROM THIS NOTICE.**

The Wichita VA Medical Center is seeking to find potential authorized sources that can provide (12) Puritan Bennett 980 Ventilators. The contract awarded is anticipated to be a firm, fixed price. The type of solicitation that will be issued depends upon the responses to this notice. Issuance of a solicitation will be dependent upon the number of responses, information received, and subsequent market analysis. No reimbursement will be made for any costs associated with providing information in response to this notice or any follow up information requested. The purpose of this notice is to gain knowledge of interest, capabilities, and qualifications of various members of the Business Community. After review of the responses to this sources-sought announcement, a synopsis and/or solicitation announcement may be published later. The Government must ensure there is adequate competition among the potential pool of responsive contractors. The North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) Code applicable to this acquisition is 339112 – Surgical and Medical Instrument Manufacturing. The requested service will be completed at the following location:

Dept. of Veterans Affairs
Robert J. Dole VA Medical Center
5500 E. Kellogg Avenue
Wichita, KS 67218

Please provide the following information:

- Your company's name, address, point of contact, email address & SAM UEI.
- Whether or not you are an authorized distributor of the requested equipment and your company's interest in submitting a proposal on the solicitation when/if it is issued.
- Your company's Business Size (Small Business) and Socioeconomic Status (Veteran Owned, SDVOSB, HUBZONE, 8(a), etc.).

This is not a request for proposal and in no way obligates the Government to award any contract.

Interested companies are asked to respond to this Sources Sought Notice no later than 4:00 PM (CST) on Thursday, February 2, 2023. All interested companies must be registered in SAM (<http://www.sam.gov/>) to be eligible for award of government contracts. Please email (only) your response to Jessica Barton (NCO 15 Contracting Office) at jessica.barton1@va.gov. Please reference the following number in the subject line of all correspondence submitted: **36C25523Q0150**. Note: **Only e-mail responses will be accepted.**

DISCLAIMER

This RFI is issued solely for information and planning purposes only and does not constitute a solicitation. All information received in response to this RFI that is marked as proprietary will be handled accordingly. In accordance with FAR 15.201(e), responses to this notice are not offers and cannot be accepted by the Government to form a binding contract. Responders are solely responsible for all expenses associated with responding to this RFI.