

**Notice of Intent to Award
In Response to Reference Laboratory Services
3.23.2026.241 RFx: 3160007859**

March 23, 2026

An Invitation for Bids (IFB) was issued February 11, 2026, and February 18, 2026, with a submission due date of March 23, 2026, for Reference Laboratory Services. The Mississippi State Hospital (MSH) received two (2) bids in response to the solicitation from the following:

- 1. American Esoteric Laboratories Memphis d/b/a Memphis Pathology Laboratory**
- 2. Baptist**

The two (2) bids received were responsive. There were not any non-responsive proposals.

The evaluation of Bids was conducted by Jennifer Diez and Jennifer Boler. After review and consideration, MSH announces their intent to award a contract to **American Esoteric Laboratories Memphis d/b/a Memphis Pathology Laboratory** and **Baptist** upon approval by the Public Procurement Review Board (PPRB).

Any bidder who responded to this solicitation may submit a written request to reconsider MSH's decision in accordance with *OPSCR Rule 6.9.3, Request for Reconsideration*, within one (1) week (due by 2:00 p.m. March 31, 2026) of the issuance of this Notice of Intent to Award. The complete Agency Procurement File, including this Notice of Intent to Award, terms, conditions, and scope of services of the contract, and all supporting documentation, is publicly available on MSH's website at <https://www.msh.ms.gov/bids-and-public-notices> in accordance with *OPSCR Rule 6.9.1.2, Public Posting of the Agency Procurement File*.

MSH extends their sincere thanks to all bidders who participated in this solicitation and appreciate your time, effort, and interested demonstrated in providing services to the State of Mississippi.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Boler, Contract Analysts
Mississippi State Hospital
Post Office Box 157-A
Whitfield, MS 39193
Phone: 601-351-8365
Email: jennifer.boler@msh.ms.gov