



# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street  
Chicago, IL

## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

**Department(s):** Cook County Office of the Medical Examiner

**Vendor:** National Medical Services d/b/a NMS Labs, Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

**Request:** Authorization for the Chief Procurement Officer to increase contract

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Forensic Toxicological Testing

**Original Contract Period:** 4/25/2013 - 4/24/2015, with two (2), one (1) year renewal options

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** N/A

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$428,173.00

**Original Approval (Board or Procurement):** 4/17/2013, \$338,173.00

**Previous Board Increase(s) or Extension(s):** N/A

**Previous Chief Procurement Officer Increase(s) or Extension(s):** 5/13/2015, \$90,000.00, 4/25/2015 - 4/24/2016

**This Increase Requested:** \$300,000.00

**Potential Fiscal Impact:** FY 2015 \$87,500.00, FY 2016 \$150,000.00, FY2017 \$62,500.00

**Accounts:** 259-278

**Contract Number(s):** 12-53-223

#### **Concurrences:**

Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance.

The Chief Procurement Officer concurs.

**Summary:** This contract for forensic toxicological testing is used by the Office of the Medical Examiner's Toxicology Department. This increase will allow NMS Labs to continue providing comprehensive drug testing requested by the pathologists to cover drugs and toxins currently not tested within the facility. The Office of the Medical Examiner is working towards having additional in-house testing.

This contract was originally awarded through competitive bidding procedures pursuant to the Cook County Procurement Code. NMS Labs was the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder.