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To: Rowan County Board of Commissioners

Aaron, Church, County Manager

From: Allen Cress, Emergency Services Chief

Anna Bumgarner, Director of Purchasing/Contract Administration

Re: Approval of a Sole-Source Purchase for Intraosseous Needles

Date: January 4, 2022

Rowan County Emergency Services utilizes the Arrow[®] EZ-IO[®] Intraosseous Vascular Access System that is manufactured by Teleflex[®]. The EZ-IO Needles are required when intraosseous access is needed. The only source to purchase these needles are from Teleflex[®]. This agreement would be approved as a 'sole-source' per NCGS 143-129(e)(6) which allows for an exception to the bidding laws when:

- 1. Performance or price competition for a product are not available;
- 2. A needed product is available from only one source of supply; or
- 3. Standardization or compatibility is the overriding consideration

Recommendation: The Emergency Services Chief and Purchasing Director recommends that the Board of Commissioners authorize the County Manager to enter into a "sole-source" agreement with Teleflex® for the purchase of EZ-IO Needles for an amount not to exceed \$25,500.00 per FY.