

UK-Devizes: Services provided by midwives

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Contract notice**Services****Directive 2004/18/EC****Section I: Contracting authority**

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: NHS Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group

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the abovementioned address

I.2. Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.3. Main activity

Health

I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description**II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority**

Wiltshire community maternity services.

II.1.2. Type of contract and place of performance or delivery

Services

Service category No 25: Health and social services

Main site or place of performance: This contract will serve a large geographical area with 4 Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) populations. It will operate (in terms of deliveries) out of the Princess Anne Wing at the Royal United Hospital in Bath and community birthing units in Paulton, Shepton Mallet, Frome, Trowbridge and Chippenham.

NUTS code UKK1 Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The notice involves a public contract

II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

II.1.5. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

The services to which this project relates fall within Part B of Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts Regulations 2006 ('the regulations' and Annex II B to Council Directive 2004/18 /EC). The contracting authority is publishing this notice on a voluntary basis and is bound by the regulations only in so much as they apply to Part B services. A similar advertisement has been placed on www.supply2health.nhs.uk under ref No: 0AE/13/0005

Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group (Wiltshire CCG) is advertising the opportunity to provide a midwife led service community maternity service delivering high quality support and care for women and their families in the planning stages of pregnancy, during pregnancy, labour and the period following the baby's birth. Services will be flexible and 'needs' focussed to ensure safety of the mother and child.

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Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) (TUPE) regulations will apply to this contract, further information will be available at invitation to tender (ITT) stage.

Historic activity.

The number of births by commissioning area for 2012/13 was:

West & North Wiltshire: 2267;

Bath and North East Somerset: 1841;

Somerset - Mendip: 659;

South Gloucestershire: 206;

Total Births: 4973.

Outcomes and local priorities.

It is the intention of commissioners to commission an outcomes based service, based on national standards, the NHS Outcomes Framework and outcomes in relation to the local priorities listed below.

- Healthy lifestyle in pregnancy – improving breastfeeding rates, reducing smoking in pregnancy rates, improved motivational interviewing and brief intervention skills for maternity staff
- Early identification of women with vulnerabilities and complex needs early in pregnancy, leading to optimum and appropriate care and support to reduce the risk of adverse outcomes.
- Multi-agency antenatal care
- Cross border working and communication to ensure continuity of care for women transferring mid-pregnancy, improved integration and communication with local health partners (e.g. GP's) and Early Year's agencies.
- Professional development of midwifery skills and additional skills specifically in relation to safeguarding

Note: this list of local priorities is not exhaustive and subject to change in order to meet local demands.

Financial.

Maternity services will be funded via the maternity tariff in the following areas:

Ante-natal care

Delivery

Post natal care

Indicative contract value = 21m GBP per annum.

Values are indicative. Actual contract value will depend upon actual demand for the service and the tariff payable.

Contract period – 3 years, with a start date of 1.5.2014.

National standards.

The service will be expected to adhere to all national and local guidance and standards relating to maternity services and the quality and equal opportunities agenda.

e.g.

- NICE guidelines;
- RCOG Standards of Maternity Care (RCOG, 2008);
- UK National Screening Committee Standards for Antenatal and Newborn Screening;
- Safer Childbirth (RCOG, 2007);
- Disability Discrimination Act 1995.

The closing date for organisations to express an interest and submit their completed PQQ is 17:00 hours on the 3.7.2013.

Organisations who express an interest should note that an information event will be held on the 10th June 2013. All questions and responses from this information event will be made available to all organisations who express an interest in this opportunity. The event is likely to take place in Devizes but full details will be provided to organisations that have expressed an interest via the NHS Sourcing e-tendering portal shortly.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

85141100 Services provided by midwives, 85111000 Hospital services, 85111300 Gynaecological hospital services

II.1.7. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

II.1.8. Lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.9. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2. Scope of the procurement

II.2.1. Total quantity or scope

The authority is looking to award a single contract to cover the provision of Community Maternity services. The service will be funded via the NHS maternity tariff in the following areas:

Ante-natal care;

Delivery;

Post natal care;

Indicative contract value = 63M GBP (21M GBP per annum).

Values are indicative. Actual contract value will depend upon actual demand for the service and the tariff payable.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 63 000 000 GBP

II.2.2. Information about options

II.2.3. Information about renewals

II.3. Duration of the contract or time limit for completion

Start 1.5.2014.

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to require deposits, guarantees, bonds or other forms of appropriate security. Further information will be provided in the procurement documentation.

III.1.2. Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them

Further information will be provided in the procurement documentation.

III.1.3. Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to require groupings of contractors to take a particular legal form or to require a single contractor to take primary liability or to require that each party undertakes joint and several liability.

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

III.2. Conditions for participation

III.2.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions: Suppliers Instructions How to Express Interest in this Tender~: 1. Register your company on the eSourcing portal (this is only required once) - Browse to the eSourcing Portal: <https://www.nhssourcing.co.uk> and click the link to register - Accept the terms and conditions and click 'continue' - Enter your correct business and user details - Note the username you chose and click 'Save' when complete - You will shortly receive an email with your unique password (please keep this secure) 2. Express an Interest in the tender - Login to the portal with the username/password - Click the 'PQQs / ITTs Open To All Suppliers' link. (These are Pre-Qualification Questionnaires or Invitations to Tender open to any registered supplier) - Click on the relevant PQQ (PQQ No. 28543) to access the content. - Click the 'Express Interest' button at the top of the page. - This will move the PQQ /ITT into your 'My PQQs/ My ITTs' page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only) -You can now access any attachments by clicking 'Buyer Attachments' in the 'PQQ/ ITT Details' box 3. Responding to the tender - Click 'My Response' under 'PQQ/ ITT Details', you can choose to 'Create Response' or to 'Decline to Respond' (please give a reason if declining) - You can now use the 'Messages' function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification - Note the deadline for completion, then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the PQQ/ ITT - There may be a mixture of online & offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed online help available) You must then submit your reply using the 'Submit Response' button at the top of the page. If you require any further assistance please consult the online help, or contact the eTendering help desk.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: in accordance with Articles 45 to 50 of Directive 2004/18 /EC and Regulations 23 to 25 of the Public Contract Regulations 2006 and as set out in the Pre Qualification Questionnaire which is available from the address in Section I.1).
Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: As detailed in the Pre Qualification Questionnaire.

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:

In accordance with Articles 45 to 50 of Directive 2004/18/EC and Regulations 23 to 25 of the Public Contract Regulations 2006 and as set out in the Pre Qualification Questionnaire which is available from the address in Section I.1).

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

As detailed in the Pre Qualification Questionnaire.

III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts

III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1. Information about a particular profession

III.3.2. Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

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Restricted

IV.1.2. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged number of candidates: 5

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: Short-listing to Invitation to Tender (ITT) will be set out in the information supplied with the Pre Qualification Questionnaire.

IV.1.3. Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated no

IV.2. Award criteria

IV.2.1. Award criteria

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction will be used: no

IV.3. Administrative information

IV.3.1. File reference number attributed by the contracting authority

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

IV.3.3. Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document

Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 3.7.2013 - 17:00

Payable documents: no

IV.3.4. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

3.7.2013 - 17:00

IV.3.5. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

IV.3.6. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted
English.

IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:
no

VI.3. Additional information

The Contracting Authority intends to use an eTendering system in this procurement exercise and reserves the right to use a reverse auction.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

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VI.4.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: In accordance with Regulation 32 (Information about contract award procedures), Regulation 32A (Standstill Period), Regulation 47 and Regulation 47D to 47N (inclusive) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2006 (as amended). The Contracting Authority will incorporate a voluntary standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. The voluntary standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for the unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.

VI.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

3.6.2013