

UK-Rugeley: Health services  
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Contract notice  
Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

## Section I: Contracting authority

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### I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: NHS Staffordshire and Lancashire CSU  
Postal address: Anglesey House, Towers Business Park, Wheelhouse Road  
Town: Rugeley  
Postal code: WS15 1UL  
Country: United Kingdom  
For the attention of: Beverley Thomas  
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Telephone: +49 97738754482

#### Internet address(es):

General address of the contracting authority: <https://cmcsu.bravosolution.co.uk>

#### Additional information can be obtained from:

the abovementioned address

**Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:**

the abovementioned address

**Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted:** 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: yes

## Section II: Object of the contract

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### II.1. Description

#### II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority

North Staffordshire CCG and Stoke on Trent CCG - Community Direct Access  
Echocardiogram Service.

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

Services  
Service category No 25: Health and social services  
NUTS code UKG24 Staffordshire CC

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

#### II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

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

Stoke on Trent and North Staffordshire CCGs are seeking to commission a Community Direct Access Echocardiogram service.

The NHS supports the need to develop improved access to diagnostic tests as part of the drive to reduce waiting times. The need to develop community based diagnostic services is supported by the Royal College of General Practitioners as part of a service strategy to improve access to tests and ensure these tests are delivered at the right stage of the patient pathway. The overarching aims of the service are:

- To ensure patients receive the right test at the right time and in the most clinically appropriate local setting;
- To ensure diagnostic testing is integrated across pathways of care, that the report and images follows the patient and that there is no unnecessary duplication of investigation; and
- To ensure diagnostic tests are appropriate, necessary, clinically correct, of high quality, with timely access and reporting.

The Commissioners require a direct access community echocardiogram service with staff qualified to appropriate levels of skill and experience, using connection to NHS information and image transfer solutions, the ability to integrate with the Choose and Book system, robust performance management systems and stringent levels of clinical governance.

The provider will need to collect detailed information that can be used for audit purposes and that we can use for monitoring the service. The provider will be required to submit all information reasonably requested to enable this monitoring to take place.

A detailed Service Specification has been written which explains exactly what is required from this Service.

The successful provider will be required to sign the relevant national NHS contract for the service, accepting all terms and conditions.

Bidders are invited to express an interest in providing this service by email to Beverley Thomas, no later than Monday 15th July 2013. The following information must be stated in the email:

Organisation Name

Organisation Address

Telephone number

Email Address

Website Address

Organisation Type.

### **II.1.6. CPV code(s)**

85100000 Health 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**

### **II.1.9. Information about variants**

#### **II.2. Scope of the procurement**

##### **II.2.1. Total quantity or scope**

##### **II.2.2. Information about options**

##### **II.2.3. Information about renewals**

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

### **Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

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#### **III.1. Conditions related to the contract**

##### **III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required**

Parent company or other guarantees may be required in certain circumstances. See the invitation to offer for further details.

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

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

##### **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: Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met: Any supplier may be disqualified who: (a) is bankrupt or is being wound up, where his affairs are being administered by the court, where he has entered into an arrangement with creditors, where he has suspended business activities or is in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure under national laws and regulations; (b) is the subject of proceedings for a declaration of bankruptcy, for an order for compulsory winding up or administration by the court or of an arrangement with creditors or of any other similar proceedings under national laws and regulations; (c) has been convicted by a judgment which has the force of res judicata in accordance with the legal provisions of the country of any offence concerning his professional conduct; (d) has been guilty of grave professional misconduct proven by any means which the contracting authorities can demonstrate; (e) has not fulfilled obligations relating to the payment of social security contributions in accordance with the legal provisions of the country in which he is established or with those of the country of the contracting authority; (f) has not fulfilled obligations relating to the payment of taxes in accordance with the legal provisions of the country in which he is established or with those of the country of the contracting authority; (g) is guilty of serious misrepresentation in supplying the information required under this Section or has not supplied such information; (h) has been the subject of a conviction for participation in a criminal organisation, as defined in Article 2(1) of Council Joint Action 98/733/JHA; (i) has been the subject of a conviction for corruption, as defined in Article 3 of the Council Act of 26 May 1972 and Article 3(1) of Council Joint Action 98/742/JHA3 respectively; (j) has been the subject of a conviction for fraud within the meaning of Article 1 of the Convention relating to the protection of the financial interests of the European Communities; (k) has been the subject of a conviction for money laundering, as defined in Article 1 of Council Directive 91/308/EEC of 10 June 1991 on prevention of the use of the financial system for the purpose of money laundering.

##### **III.2.2. Economic and financial ability**

List and brief description of conditions: The following may be requested in assessing potential bidders' economic and financial capacity:- (a) appropriate statements from banks or, where appropriate, evidence of relevant professional risk indemnity insurance; (b) the presentation of

balance-sheets or extracts from the balance-sheets, where publication of the balance-sheet is required under the law of the country in which the economic operator is established; (c) a statement of overall turnover and, where appropriate, of turnover in the area covered by the contract for a maximum of the last two financial years available, depending on the date on which the undertaking was set up or the economic operator started trading, as far as the information on these turnovers is available. Please refer to the Pre-Qualification Questionnaire and/or Memorandum of Information for specific requirements.

### **III.2.3. Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of conditions:

Staffordshire and Lancashire CSU requires that potential bidders, in submitting their expression of interest, to register at <https://cmcsu.bravosolution.co.uk>. Failure to do so will result in an incomplete expression of interest. Please refer to Section VI.3) below for additional information.

### **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**

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### **IV.1. Type of procedure**

#### **IV.1.1. Type of procedure**

Open

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

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

### **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**

### **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**

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

15.7.2013 - 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**

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**VI.1. Information about recurrence**

**VI.2. Information about European Union funds**

**VI.3. Additional information**

If and when this requirement is offered to tender, this will be done via electronic means using the internet, and may also be through the medium of an electronic reverse auction.

Staffordshire and Lancashire CSU is conducting this procurement exercise as a central purchasing body for another NHS body with whom the successful bidder(s) will enter into contracts for the supply of the services. Any other public sector body wishing to access the contract may do so only with permission from the contracting NHS body. The contract conditions will be set out in the Invitation to Tender. Further details will be made available via documentation and information released during the course of the tender process.

### **SUBMISSION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST AND PROCUREMENT SPECIFIC INFORMATION**

This exercise will be conducted on the Staffordshire and Lancashire CSU portal at <https://cmcsu.bravosolution.co.uk>. Candidates wishing to be considered must register their expression of interest & provide additional procurement-specific information (by registering on the Bravo portal): i) Candidates should register on the portal at <https://cmcsu.bravosolution.co.uk> (registration and use of the website is free of charge). If your organisation has registered previously, you do not need to re-register. ii) Once registered, candidates must also confirm their expression of interest by a) emailing the relevant information to Beverley Thomas ([beverley.thomas@northstaffs.nhs.uk](mailto:beverley.thomas@northstaffs.nhs.uk)). You must submit your reply on the website and by email by the deadline stated. For technical support in submitting your expression of interest contact the BravoSolution Help-desk on 0800 368 4850 or [help@bravosolution.co.uk](mailto:help@bravosolution.co.uk).

**VI.4. Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1. Review body**

**VI.4.2. Review procedure**

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

**VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

14.6.2013