

**United Kingdom-Bristol: Health services**  
**OJ S 116/2018 20/06/2018**  
**Contract notice**  
**Services**

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

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**Section I: Contracting authority**

**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: NHS England South (South West)

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**I.3. Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/scwcsu/asp/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/scwcsu/asp/Home>

**I.4. Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5. Main activity**

Health

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1. Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1. Title**

Diabetic Eye Screening Programme (South West)

Reference number: PR002632

**II.1.2. Main CPV code**

85100000 Health services

**II.1.3. Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4. Short description**

NHS England South West (the Commissioners) seeks to procure a Diabetic Eye Screening service for the South West.

The aim of the Diabetic Eye Screening programme is to reduce the risk of sight loss amongst people with diabetes by the prompt identification and effective treatment if necessary of sight threatening diabetic retinopathy, at the appropriate stage during the disease process. This will be achieved by delivering evidence-based, population-based screening programmes.

#### **II.1.5. Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 22 379 002,00 GBP

#### **II.1.6. Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: yes  
Tenders may be submitted for all lots

### **II.2. Description**

#### **II.2.1. Title**

Cornwall and Isles of Scilly  
Lot No: 1

#### **II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)**

85100000 Health services

#### **II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKK3 Cornwall and Isles of Scilly

#### **II.2.4. Description of the procurement**

NHS England South West (the Commissioners) seeks to procure a Diabetic Eye Screening service for Lot 1 Cornwall and Isles of Scilly. NHS England South West will be the Contracting and Commissioning Authority for the Diabetic Eye Screening programme.

The aim of the Diabetic Eye Screening programme is to reduce the risk of sight loss amongst people with diabetes by the prompt identification and effective treatment if necessary of sight threatening diabetic retinopathy, at the appropriate stage during the disease process. This will be achieved by delivering evidence-based, population-based screening programmes that:

- identify the eligible population and ensure effective delivery with maximum coverage,
- are safe, effective, of a high quality, externally and independently monitored, and quality assured,
- lead to earlier detection, appropriate referral, effective treatment and improved outcomes,
- are delivered and supported by suitably trained, competent, and qualified, clinical and non-clinical staff who, where relevant, participate in recognised on-going Continuous Professional Development (CPD), and Quality Assurance (QA) schemes,
- have audit embedded in the service.

The specification is consistent with the national service specification which ensures there is a consistent and equitable approach to govern the provision and monitoring of NHS Diabetic Eye Screening Programmes (NDESP) across England. The purpose of the service specification for the NDESP is to outline the service and quality indicators expected by NHS England (the Commissioner) for their responsible population.

The provider will be required to deliver a service that incorporates the common pathway and meets the national service specification requirements. NDESP is currently in a development phase relating to the implementation of extended screening intervals and a single national IT

solution. For 2018-2019, the national service specification reflects initial requirements to implement this development in 2019-2020. The provider will need to be adaptable to any new or changes to the national programme.

The current published national service specification for can be found here:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/service-spec-22.pdf>

The contract is due to commence on 1.4.2019 and run for 4 years, with the option to extend for a further 1 year, at the Commissioners' discretion.

The minimum expected total value of the contract, based on achieving minimum KPI uptake levels, is 3 427 411 GBP.

Interested parties who wish to take part in the procurement are invited to take part in an Invitation to Tender (ITT) process, based on the Open procedure and designed to identify the Most Economically Advantageous Tender and therefore determine the incoming provider. Instructions for taking part can be found below.

All ITT responses must be returned by 12:00 noon on 27.7.2018, at the latest.

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This procurement is being carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioners.

#### **II.2.5. Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.6. Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 3 427 411,00 GBP

#### **II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months: 60

This contract is subject to renewal: no

#### **II.2.10. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

#### **II.2.11. Information about options**

Options: no

#### **II.2.13. Information about European Union funds**

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

#### **II.2.14. Additional information**

##### **II.2. Description**

##### **II.2.1. Title**

Devon

Lot No: 2

##### **II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)**

85100000 Health services

### **II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKK4 Devon

### **II.2.4. Description of the procurement**

NHS England South West (the Commissioners) seeks to procure a Diabetic Eye Screening service for Lot 2 Devon. NHS England South West will be the contracting and Commissioning Authority for the Diabetic Eye Screening programme.

The aim of the Diabetic Eye Screening programme is to reduce the risk of sight loss amongst people with diabetes by the prompt identification and effective treatment if necessary of sight threatening diabetic retinopathy, at the appropriate stage during the disease process. This will be achieved by delivering evidence-based, population-based screening programmes that:

- identify the eligible population and ensure effective delivery with maximum coverage,
- are safe, effective, of a high quality, externally and independently monitored, and quality assured,
- lead to earlier detection, appropriate referral, effective treatment and improved outcomes,
- are delivered and supported by suitably trained, competent, and qualified, clinical and non-clinical staff who, where relevant, participate in recognised on-going Continuous Professional Development (CPD), and Quality Assurance (QA) schemes,
- have audit embedded in the service.

The specification is consistent with the national service specification which ensures there is a consistent and equitable approach to govern the provision and monitoring of NHS Diabetic Eye Screening Programmes (NDESP) across England. The purpose of the service specification for the NDESP is to outline the service and quality indicators expected by NHS England (the Commissioner) for their responsible population.

The provider will be required to deliver a service that incorporates the common pathway and meets the national service specification requirements. NDESP is currently in a development phase relating to the implementation of extended screening intervals and a single national IT solution. For 2018-2019, the national service specification reflects initial requirements to implement this development in 2019-2020. The provider will need to be adaptable to any new or changes to the national programme.

The current published national service specification for can be found here:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/service-spec-22.pdf>

The contract is due to commence on 1.4.2019 and run for 4 years, with the option to extend for a further 1 year, at the Commissioners' discretion.

The minimum expected total value of the contract, based on achieving minimum KPI uptake levels, is 7 401 558 GBP.

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### **II.2.5. Award criteria**

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### **II.2.6. Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 7 401 558,00 GBP

### **II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months: 60

This contract is subject to renewal: no

### **II.2.10. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

### **II.2.11. Information about options**

Options: no

### **II.2.13. Information about European Union funds**

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

### **II.2.14. Additional information**

#### **II.2. Description**

##### **II.2.1. Title**

Somerset

Lot No: 3

##### **II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)**

85100000 Health services

##### **II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKK23 Somerset

##### **II.2.4. Description of the procurement**

NHS England South West (the Commissioners) seeks to procure a Diabetic Eye Screening service for Lot 3 Somerset. NHS England South West will be the Contracting and Commissioning Authority for the Diabetic Eye Screening programme.

The aim of the Diabetic Eye Screening programme is to reduce the risk of sight loss amongst people with diabetes by the prompt identification and effective treatment if necessary of sight threatening diabetic retinopathy, at the appropriate stage during the disease process. This will be achieved by delivering evidence-based, population-based screening programmes that:

- identify the eligible population and ensure effective delivery with maximum coverage,
- are safe, effective, of a high quality, externally and independently monitored, and quality assured,
- lead to earlier detection, appropriate referral, effective treatment and improved outcomes,
- are delivered and supported by suitably trained, competent, and qualified, clinical and non-clinical staff who, where relevant, participate in recognised on-going Continuous Professional Development (CPD), and Quality Assurance (QA) schemes,
- have audit embedded in the service.

The specification is consistent with the national service specification which ensures there is a consistent and equitable approach to govern the provision and monitoring of NHS Diabetic Eye Screening Programmes (NDESP) across England. The purpose of the service

specification for the NDESP is to outline the service and quality indicators expected by NHS England (the Commissioner) for their responsible population.

The provider will be required to deliver a service that incorporates the common pathway and meets the national service specification requirements. NDESP is currently in a development phase relating to the implementation of extended screening intervals and a single national IT solution. For 2018-2019, the national service specification reflects initial requirements to implement this development in 2019-2020. The provider will need to be adaptable to any new or changes to the national programme.

The current published national service specification for can be found here:

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The contract is due to commence on 1.4.2019 and run for 4 years, with the option to extend for a further 1 year, at the Commissioners' discretion.

The minimum expected total value of the contract, based on achieving minimum KPI uptake levels, is 2 924 952 GBP.

Interested parties who wish to take part in the procurement are invited to take part in an Invitation to Tender (ITT) process, based on the Open procedure and designed to identify the Most Economically Advantageous Tender and therefore determine the incoming provider. Instructions for taking part can be found below.

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#### **II.2.5. Award criteria**

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#### **II.2.6. Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 2 924 952,00 GBP

#### **II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months: 60

This contract is subject to renewal: no

#### **II.2.10. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

#### **II.2.11. Information about options**

Options: no

#### **II.2.13. Information about European Union funds**

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

#### **II.2.14. Additional information**

### **II.2. Description**

### **II.2.1. Title**

Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire  
Lot No: 4

### **II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)**

85100000 Health services

### **II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKK11 Bristol, City of

NUTS code: UKK12 Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Main site or place of performance: Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

### **II.2.4. Description of the procurement**

NHS England South West (the Commissioners) seeks to procure a Diabetic Eye Screening service for Lot 4 Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire. NHS England South West will be the Contracting and Commissioning Authority for the Diabetic Eye Screening programme.

The aim of the Diabetic Eye Screening programme is to reduce the risk of sight loss amongst people with diabetes by the prompt identification and effective treatment if necessary of sight threatening diabetic retinopathy, at the appropriate stage during the disease process. This will be achieved by delivering evidence-based, population-based screening programmes that:

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The specification is consistent with the national service specification which ensures there is a consistent and equitable approach to govern the provision and monitoring of NHS Diabetic Eye Screening Programmes (NDESP) across England. The purpose of the service specification for the NDESP is to outline the service and quality indicators expected by NHS England (the Commissioner) for their responsible population.

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The contract is due to commence on 1.4.2019 and run for 4 years, with the option to extend for a further 1 year, at the Commissioners' discretion.

The minimum expected total value of the contract, based on achieving minimum KPI uptake levels, is 5 147 590 GBP.

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**II.2.5. Award criteria**

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**II.2.6. Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 5 147 590,00 GBP

**II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months: 60

This contract is subject to renewal: no

**II.2.10. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

**II.2.11. Information about options**

Options: no

**II.2.13. Information about European Union funds**

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

**II.2.14. Additional information**

**II.2. Description**

**II.2.1. Title**

Gloucestershire

Lot No: 5

**II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)**

85100000 Health services

**II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: UKK13 Gloucestershire

**II.2.4. Description of the procurement**

NHS England South West (the Commissioners) seeks to procure a Diabetic Eye Screening service for Lot 5 Gloucestershire. NHS England South West will be the Contracting and Commissioning Authority for the Diabetic Eye Screening programme.

The aim of the Diabetic Eye Screening programme is to reduce the risk of sight loss amongst people with diabetes by the prompt identification and effective treatment if necessary of sight threatening diabetic retinopathy, at the appropriate stage during the disease process. This will be achieved by delivering evidence-based, population-based screening programmes that:

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The contract is due to commence on 1.4.2019 and run for 4 years, with the option to extend for a further 1 year, at the Commissioners' discretion.

The minimum expected total value of the contract, based on achieving minimum KPI uptake levels, is 3 477 491 GBP.

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#### **II.2.5. Award criteria**

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#### **II.2.6. Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 3 477 491,00 GBP

#### **II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months: 60

This contract is subject to renewal: no

#### **II.2.10. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

#### **II.2.11. Information about options**

Options: no

#### **II.2.13. Information about European Union funds**

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

#### **II.2.14. Additional information**

### **Section IV: Procedure**

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#### **IV.1. Description**

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

Open procedure

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

##### **IV.1.8. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

#### **IV.2. Administrative information**

##### **IV.2.1. Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number in the OJ S: [2018/S 073-161966](#)

##### **IV.2.2. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date: 27/07/2018 Local time: 12:00

##### **IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

##### **IV.2.4. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

##### **IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date: 27/07/2018 Local time: 12:00

### **Section VI: Complementary information**

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#### **VI.1. Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: no

#### **VI.3. Additional information**

Interested providers will be able to access the Invitation to Tender documents via the “current tenders” list on the e-procurement portal (In-tend). <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/scwcsu.aspx/Home>  
In order to submit a bid, you will need to register on the e-procurement portal and “express an interest” and then complete all necessary questions as specified within the documents.  
On registration, please include at least 2 contacts to allow for access to the portal in times of absence.

The services are healthcare services falling within Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (“the Regulations”) which are not subject to the full regime of the Regulations, but is instead governed by the “Light Touch Regime” contained within Chapter 3, Section 7 of the Regulations (Regulations 74 to 77).

The tendering process will be conducted in accordance with the requirements and flexibilities provided by Articles 74 to 76 of the Directive, and Regulations 74 to 76 of the Regulations. The Authority will run a transparent tender process, treating all Bidders equally. For the avoidance of doubt, the Authority will not be bound by the Regulations or the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union or any other regulations or legislation except for the specific parts or circumstances that apply to the procurement of these Services.

Neither the inclusion of a Bidder selection stage, nor the use of any language or terms found in the Directive or Regulations, nor the description of the procedure voluntarily adopted by the Authority (“Open”, “Restricted”, “Competitive Procedure with Negotiation”, “Competitive Dialogue” or any other description), nor any other indication, shall be taken to mean that the Authority intends to hold itself bound by the Directive or Regulations, save by the provisions applicable to services coming within the scope of Annex XIV of the Directive / Schedule 3 of the Regulations.

The Contracting Authority intends to voluntarily observe the award decision notices provisions and 10 day standstill period described in Regulation 86 of the Regulations. Unsuccessful Bidders will receive scores and reasons for the decision, including the characteristics and relative advantages of the winning bid and the reasons why the Bidder / application was unsuccessful. Deadline for lodging of appeals should be in accordance with Regulation 87 and Regulation 91 of the Regulations.

#### **VI.4. Procedures for review**

##### **VI.4.1. Review body**

Official name: NHS England

Town: Bristol

Country: United Kingdom

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

18/06/2018