

United Kingdom-Bristol: Health services

OJ S 158/2016 18/08/2016

Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: NHS England South (South West)

Postal address: South Plaza

Town: Bristol

Postal code: BS1 3NX

Country: United Kingdom

Contact person: Lisa Chivers

E-mail: lisachivers@nhs.net

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: no

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description

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

NHSE South (South West) Diabetic Eye Screening Programme — Plymouth.

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

Services

Service category No 25: Health and social services

NUTS code UKK41 Plymouth

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)

NHS England South (South West) (the Commissioner) seeks to commission a Diabetic Eye

Screening Programme service (DESP) for patients registered with GP's in:

- The western locality of New Devon CCG including Plymouth, Lifton, Ivybridge, Tavistock, Kingsbridge, Salcombe, Yealmpton, Modbury, Yelverton;
- South East Cornwall within Kernow CCG including Liskeard, Saltash, Torpoint and Callington (maternity patients only).

The eligible population includes those within the armed forces and HMP Dartmoor.

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

Diabetic Retinopathy is 1 of the most common causes of sight loss among people of working age and therefore the aim of the DESP is to reduce the risk of sight loss amongst people diagnosed with diabetes through the prompt detection of any issues leading to more timely treatment and management; potentially before any noticeable symptoms or changes to vision are experienced.

The Commissioner is looking for a provider to deliver a high quality screening service across the identified geography. The service being procured is made up of the following elements in-line with national programme requirements:

- Annual retinopathy along with call/recall for all people with diabetes invited for routine digital screening,
- Digital surveillance where individuals need more frequent screening, and
- Slit lamp biomicroscopy (SLB) for those individuals where normal photography is inappropriate e.g. suffering from cataracts.

The service will:

- Be evidence based;
- Robustly identify the eligible population;
- Ensure accessibility to facilitate effective delivery with maximum coverage;
- Actively follow up those least likely to access the service;
- Undertake screening in venues ensuring that services are accessible to the eligible population;
- Undertake screening of eligible populations in the forces and HMP Dartmoor;
- Be safe, effective and of a high quality;
- Be externally and independently monitored and quality assured;
- Lead to earlier detection, appropriate referral, effective treatment and improved outcomes;
- Be delivered and supported by suitably trained, competent and qualified clinical and non-clinical staff who, where relevant, participate in recognised ongoing CME, Continuous Professional Development (CPD) and Quality Assurance (QA) schemes;
- Have audit embedded in the service;
- Plan for and introduce any changes to the national programme in partnership with the Commissioner and Public Health England.

The Commissioners seeks bids from suitably qualified and experienced providers (including 3rd sector and social enterprise organisations, private and NHS) to provide the NHS Diabetic Eye Screening Programme to patients living and registered in the identified geography. Owing to the need to review the optimal footprint for Diabetic Eye Screening in the South West and understand the impact of any potential changes to the screening frequency this is an interim contract for a period of 2 years from 1.4.2017.

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: no

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

Estimated value excluding VAT: 1 170 000 GBP

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.3. Information about renewals

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

Duration in months: 24 (from the award of the contract)

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

Parent company and other guarantees may be required in certain circumstances, see the invitation to tender 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

Joint and severable liability.

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: no

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: As detailed in the Organisational Questionnaire / ITT documentation.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: As detailed in the Organisational Questionnaire / ITT documentation.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: As detailed in the Organisational Questionnaire / ITT documentation.

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:

As detailed in the Organisational Questionnaire / ITT documentation.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

As detailed in the Organisational Questionnaire / ITT documentation.

III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts

III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1. Information about a particular profession

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: no

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

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract: no

Section IV: Procedure

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

An electronic auction will be used: no

IV.3. Administrative information

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

SCW/NHSEQ80/00000245/2016

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

no

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

Payable documents: no

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

19.9.2016 - 12:00

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

Duration in days: 180 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: no

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 Services are healthcare services within the meaning and scope of Annex XIV of Directive 2014/24/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council (the Directive) and Schedule 3 to the Public Contract Regulations 2015 (the Regulations). 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 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).

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

15.8.2016