

United Kingdom-Leeds: Health and social work services
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Contract notice
Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: National Health Service Commissioning Board

Postal address: Quarry House, Quarry Hill

Town: Leeds

Postal code: LS2 7UE

Country: United Kingdom

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Internet address(es):

General address of the contracting authority: <http://www.ardengemcsu.nhs.uk/>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/>

Electronic access to information: <https://ardengemcsu.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html>

Electronic submission of tenders and requests to participate: <https://ardengemcsu.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html>

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

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Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description

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

NHS Diabetes Prevention Programme.

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: United Kingdom.

NUTS code UK United Kingdom

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Duration of the framework agreement

Duration in months: 36

Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 3 000 000 and 116 000 000 GBP

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

Public Health England and Diabetes UK, NHS England wishes to procure a Framework Agreement with up to 4 (four) providers who are able to provide, anywhere in England, between 10 000 and 100 000 behavioural interventions aimed at preventing or delaying the onset of Type 2 diabetes in people with non-diabetic hyperglycaemia (or pre-diabetes) over the 3 year term of the Framework Agreement. It is anticipated that between them, the providers will deliver up to 30 000 behavioural interventions in the first year of the Framework Agreement and will be able to upscale to deliver up to 60 000 behavioural interventions in year 2 and up to 100,000 behavioural interventions in year 3. The numbers of behavioural interventions may vary during the term of the Framework Agreement and these figures are estimates only, as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown.

The primary aim of the NDPP is to reduce the incidence of Type 2 diabetes in the cohort referred onto the NDPP (i.e. those with non-diabetic hyperglycaemia). The secondary aims are:

- (i) to reduce blood glucose parameters (HbA1c or Fasting Plasma Glucose) in participants at 12 months and beyond;
- (ii) to reduce weight of participants at 12 months and beyond, and
- (iii) to maximise programme completion rates by those referred onto the programme. A tertiary aim of the programme is to establish sound data collection mechanisms to ensure that programme effectiveness to reduce the long term microvascular and cardiovascular complications of Type 2 diabetes, as well as to reduce the associated higher mortality risk, can be assessed.

The behavioural interventions should include a focus on diabetes risk, weight loss, physical activity and diet and explicit use of behavioural theory and strategies. The focus is on individuals who are on the threshold of developing diabetes and non-diabetic hyperglycaemia is defined as having an HbA1c 42 — 47 mmol/mol (6.0 — 6.4 %) or a fasting plasma glucose (FPG) of 5.5 — 6.9 mmol/mol. Only individuals aged 18 years or over will be eligible for the behavioural intervention and the primary routes of referral will be by a General Practitioner or via the NHS Health Check and a blood test must have been completed prior to referral. Successful providers may be able to seek potential service users using a direct to consumer approach. Further details will be set out in the Invitation to Tender (ITT). NHS England will seek to identify Clinical Commissioning Groups and Local Authorities with which it might enter into separate arrangements in relation to referrals. It is anticipated that Clinical Commissioning Groups and/ or Local Authorities will be involved in awarding contracts under the Framework

Agreement and the contracts may be awarded by way of a direct call off or following a reopening of competition. Interested providers must be able to deliver the behavioural interventions anywhere in England and the ability to mobilise quickly may be assessed at tender stage. Further details will be set out in the ITT.

The results of the behavioural interventions will be evaluated to inform any potential changes to the specification during the term of the Framework Agreement. NHS England therefore reserves the right to make non material amendments to the specification during the term of the Framework Agreement to improve the behavioural interventions, however NHS England may also carry out further procurement processes in relation to the NDPP. Providers may deliver aspects of the behavioural interventions through innovative means (such as, but not limited to, via the internet or a mobile phone application) however the core requirement in the specification will be that the behavioural interventions will be delivered face to face because evidence from previous diabetes prevention programmes sets out that face to face services are more likely to lead to a successful outcome for the service user. Where innovative means are used for the delivery of the behavioural interventions, they would have to be the subject of an evaluation and the data on outcomes would have to be shared with, and the relevant provider would have to work with, the relevant evaluation team in relation to that evaluation. During the first year of the Framework Agreement, it is anticipated that providers would be paid on a per intervention basis. NHS England reserves the right to vary the Framework Agreement during its term so that the payment mechanism is amended to reflect a payment by results (often referred to as outcomes based) mechanism. Further details will be set out in the ITT.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

85000000 Health and social work services, 85140000 Miscellaneous health services, 85312310 Guidance services, 98000000 Other community, social and personal services, 85141000 Services provided by medical personnel, 85312320 Counselling services, 85322000 Community action programme, 80000000 Education and training services, 85312300 Guidance and counselling services, 98336000 Training, workout or aerobic services, 75200000 Provision of services to the community, 98334000 Wellness services, 85323000 Community health services, 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

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.9. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: yes

II.2. Scope of the procurement

II.2.1. Total quantity or scope

The Framework Agreement will be for a term of 3 years with an option to extend for a further 12 months at the option of the Contracting Authority. The Framework Agreement value in II.1.4 is an estimated figure and covers all possible extensions. The exact value of the contract opportunities will be dependent on whether the Contracting Authority exercises the options detailed in this section and section II.2.2.

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options: The Framework Agreement will include the option for the Contracting Authority to extend it for a further 12 months in addition to the initial 36 months period upon review.

II.2.3. Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

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

Duration in days: 36 (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

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to require deposits, guarantees, including parent company guarantees, bonds and other forms of appropriate security.

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

Further details will be provided in the tender documents.

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

Requests to participate will be accepted from groupings of economic operators (consortia). In the event of a successful consortium bid, the contracting authority may specify that the consortium takes a particular legal form and/or require that a single consortium member takes primary liability or that each member undertakes joint and several liability irrespective of the legal form adopted. Where a subsidiary company is used, the ultimate parent company may be required to provide a guarantee in respect of the performance of the contract by the subsidiary before acceptance of a tender.

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: Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: These will be set out in the pre-qualification questionnaire.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: These will be set out in the Pre-Qualification Questionnaire.

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:
These will be set out 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

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Restricted

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

Envisaged number of candidates: 10

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: This is set out in the Pre Qualification Questionnaire.

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

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Prior information notice

Notice number in the OJ S: [2015/S 54-094568](#) of 18.3.2015

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: 7.12.2015 - 12:00

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

7.12.2015 - 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

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 National Health Service Commissioning Board is the Contracting Authority. The Board uses the operational name 'NHS England'. As set out in section II.1.5, it is anticipated that Clinical Commissioning Groups as established under the NHS Act 2006 and/or Local Authorities as defined in the Local Government Act 1972 will be involved in awarding contracts under the Framework Agreement and the contracts may be awarded by way of a direct call off or following a reopening of competition. Further details will be set out in the ITT. The Framework Agreement will be between the NHS Commissioning Board (operating as NHS England) and the Applicant, however 1) the NHS Commissioning Board; 2) any Clinical Commissioning Group; and/or 3) any Local Authority will be able to enter into a direct contract with the Applicant for any of the Services under the Framework Agreement.

Before the award of the Framework Agreement, successful providers will have to have in place Cyber Essentials Basic certification or equivalent. During the first year of the Framework Agreement, the successful providers will be contractually obliged to obtain Cyber Essentials Plus certification or equivalent. Any organisation interested in providing the Services should following the details below:

The PQQ reference for this procurement is: pqq_169.

To register on the portal: <https://ardengemcsu.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html>

— From the Home Page, click the 'Click Here to Register' link.

— Accept the terms and conditions for using the portal.

— Complete your organisation & personal details.

— Choose a memorable username and submit.

You will shortly be sent an email with your unique password, please treat this securely (if you lose it there is a 'Forgot my Password' link on the portal homepage).

To Access the portal:

— Login with your unique username and password.

— From the suppliers reserved area click 'PQQ's Open to All Suppliers' –this is a repository of all PQQ's open to any registered supplier.

— Browse the PQQ's (there may be more than one page) and select 'NHS Diabetes Prevention Programme Phase 1' by clicking on it.

— Note the Details buttons on the left for Navigation and the Actions below.

— Click the 'Express Interest' action –this will move the PQQ from the PQQ's Open to All Suppliers area to your 'My PQQ's' area –this is a reserved area for PQQs that you have either been invited to or expressed interest in.

For Bravo technical issues, please contact +44 8003684850 or help@bravosolutions.co.uk

The deadline for organisations to submit their completed PQQ responses will be the date in section IV.3.4.

This Contract Notice is a voluntary notice. The reference to 'restricted procedure' at section IV.1.1 does not apply. The Contracting Authority therefore reserves the right to have negotiation and/or dialogue with Bidders if required and further details will be set out in the ITT. The procurement will be run in accordance with Regulation 5(2) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2006 (the 'Regulations') that sets out specific Regulations that apply to contracts for Part B services. The Contracting Authority will not be bound by the Regulations except to the extent that they specifically apply to Part B services contracts.

At tender stage the Contracting Authority reserves the right to introduce financial envelopes within which the services must be priced. Further details (if required) regarding these

requirements will be detailed in the tender documents. NHS England does not anticipate that the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 ('TUPE') will apply in locations where this is to be a novel service. However, bidders should make their own enquiries as to the extent that similar existing services are provided locally. On expiry of the services provided under the contracts resulting from this procurement process, it is envisaged that the services will be reprocurd and that TUPE will apply where any new bidder takes over substantially the same service. Bidders will be expected to comply with an orderly transition to the new provider.

Tenders and all supporting documentation for the contracts must be priced in sterling and written in English. Any agreements entered into will be governed by English Law and will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts.

The Contracting Authority is not liable for any costs, charges or expenses incurred by candidates or tenderers in bidding for this contract opportunity.

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to cancel this tender process at any time and not to award any of the contracts/ any part of the contracts.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

VI.4.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: Any appeals under this process should be addressed to the contact in point I.1.

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

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

16.11.2015