

**United Kingdom-Exeter: Health services**  
**OJ S 169/2019 03/09/2019**  
**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 Devon Clinical Commissioning Group

Postal address: County Hall, Topsham Road

Town: Exeter

NUTS code: UKK4 Devon

Postal code: EX2 4QL

Country: United Kingdom

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Telephone: +44 7786275627

**Internet address(es):**

Main address: <https://devonccg.nhs.uk>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/scwcsu/asp/Home>

**I.2. Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**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>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

**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**

Termination of Pregnancy Services to Devon CCG

Reference number: PR003705

**II.1.2. Main CPV code**

85100000 Health services

### **II.1.3. Type of contract**

Services

### **II.1.4. Short description**

NHS Devon CCG intends to procure Termination of Pregnancy Services within the community for the population of Devon.

The service will provide:

- counselling and assessment,
- offer a choice of medical or surgical ToP before 24+0 weeks gestation,
- contraception,
- completion of forms required under the Abortion Act,
- follow up (if clinically indicated or required by service user),
- provide consultations by phone or video call for women who prefer it. Settings of services to include hospital and in the community.

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

Value excluding VAT: 2 755 801,00 GBP

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

This contract is divided into lots: no

## **II.2. Description**

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

85100000 Health services

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

NUTS code: UKK4 Devon

Main site or place of performance: Devon

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

The service will provide:

- counselling and assessment,
- offer a choice of medical or surgical ToP before 24+0 weeks gestation,
- contraception, providers should ensure the full range of reversible contraceptive options is available for women on the same day as the ToP, with staff who have the knowledge and skills to provide these, including implants and intrauterine devices if this is what the woman chooses. For women having medical ToP and who choose depot medroxyprogesterone acetate as contraception provide this at the same appointment they take mifepristone, explain that there is a risk of ongoing pregnancy, but this is low,
- completion of forms required under the abortion act,
- follow up (if clinically indicated or required by service user),
- services should be sensitive to the service user's needs and feelings. Information, both written and verbal, should be provided in an objective and non-judgmental way, which allows service users to make choices. Inform that ToP does not increase risk of long-term health problems. Provide information about benefits and risks of medical and surgical methods of termination without being directive, so that women can make their own choice. The guideline provides detailed information on these, differentiating risks and benefits for each by gestational stage. Provide detailed information as early as possible to help women prepare- to include what it involves, what happens next, pain and bleeding to expect. Use a variety of formats. If the ToP method is medical include what they may see, what it will look like whether there may be any movement. If the ToP is at home include how to be sure the pregnancy has passed.

Provide information on signs and symptoms to indicate they may need medical help after a ToP and who to contact. Provide information about different ways of handling foetal remains. If ToP is for foetal anomaly and this is not in a maternity setting, have clear referral pathways and communication routes to enable easy transfer and enable the woman to get more information about the anomaly,

— provide consultations by phone or video call for women who prefer it. Settings of services to include hospital and in the community.

#### **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: 2 755 801,00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 84

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Variants will be accepted: yes

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

Options: yes

Description of options:

The contract will be for a term of 5 years (the target commencement date is 1.4.2020). At the end of the 5 year term the commissioner will have options to extend the initial period by any period or periods up to a maximum of a further 2 years.

#### **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**

The contract will be for a term of 5 years (the target commencement date is 1.4.2020). At the end of the 5 year term the commissioner will have options to extend the initial period by any period or periods up to a maximum of a further 2 years.

### **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: yes

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

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

Date: 30/09/2019 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: 30/09/2019 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**

A market engagement event will be held virtually on 10.9.2019. Bidders must submit a request to participate and register their interest in bidding in order to participate in this event.

Interested providers will be able to view this notice via the 'current tenders' list on the e-procurement system In-Tend, available on the following link: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/scwcsu/asp/Home>

In order to submit a bid, you will need to be registered on the e-procurement system and 'express an interest', and then complete a response as specified within the procurement documents.

On registration, please include at least two contacts to allow for access to the system 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 Devon Clinical Commissioning Group  
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Telephone: +44 1392205205  
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**VI.4.2. Body responsible for mediation procedures**

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**VI.4.3. Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:  
As described in VI.3, deadline for lodging of appeals should be in accordance with Regulation 87 and Regulation 91 of the 2015 Regulations.

**VI.4.4. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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

30/08/2019