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**United Kingdom-London: Modular and portable buildings
2018/S 228-521038**

Contract notice

Supplies

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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: <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>

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

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal agency/office

- I.5) **Main activity**
Health

Section II: Object

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

II.1.1) **Title:**
Mobile and Strategic Clinical Solutions

II.1.2) **Main CPV code**
44211100

II.1.3) **Type of contract**
Supplies

II.1.4) **Short description:**
NHS Supply Chain seeks to establish a non-exclusive Framework Agreement for the supply to the NHS Supply Chain customer base via the direct route of supply of Mobile and Strategic Clinical Solutions. The scope of the proposed Framework Agreement is intended to cover the following categories of services (listed as lots) and shall supplement the end and/or permanent facilities that the end users may wish to rent on a temporary basis. The length of service will be determined by the customer's local clinical requirement.
It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases will be in the region of circa 250 000 000 GBP. For the full 48 month term (if extended) the anticipated value is circa 600 000 000 GBP. These values are approximate only and are based on the most recent historical usage information, with a forecasted level of growth. The values provided are for guidance only and are not a guarantee of business.

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**
Value excluding VAT: 600 000 000.00 GBP

II.1.6) **Information about lots**
This contract is divided into lots: yes
Tenders may be submitted for maximum number of lots: 8

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**
Mobile Services — Imaging (Staffed)
Lot No: 1

II.2.2) **Additional CPV code(s)**
44211100
34223330
85150000
85111100
33100000
85121200
75200000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**
NUTS code: UK

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

The service within this Lot 1 is to facilitate the capture of diagnostic images, and for the provision of patient care, within a mobile or modular unit (this may include, the supply of vehicular, modular, demountable or relocatable facilities) at a location, as chosen by the customer organisation.

This may or may not be on the customer's site. Provider(s) on this lot will be required to provide the relevant type of imaging equipment as requested by the customer. Services, as ultimately defined by the customer, that may be provided by successful Applicants in respect of this lot may include (but shall not be limited to) the provision of:

- at least 1 member of staff (including radiographers and any other clinical support staff) who must be skilled and fully qualified in the operation of the (imaging) equipment,
- (imaging) equipment including any consumables,
- a booking service, and
- an imaging reporting service to facilitate clinical patient diagnosis (by the customer).

The types of imaging services that may be required in this lot are (but shall not be limited to):

- Bone Densitometry,
- Cardiac Angiography,
- CT,
- Mammography,
- MRI,
- PET CT,
- X-ray.

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 56 000 000 GBP in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement. The estimated value over the full 48-month term, if extended (NHS Supply Chain reserve the right to vary this in any future Contract Notice) is 320 000 000 GBP.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all applicants who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the tender documents and whose total score meets or exceeds a hurdle of at least 50 % at tender evaluation stage and appointment (or award) shall be made to the relevant lot.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Service, support and training / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Financial criteria / Weighting: 40

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 320 000 000.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 48

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:

This Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a period up to 48 months.

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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:**

Mobile Services – Imaging (Unstaffed)

Lot No: 2

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

44211100

34223330

85150000

85111100

33100000

85121200

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

The service within this Lot 2 is to facilitate the capture of diagnostic images within a mobile or modular unit (This may include, the supply of vehicular, modular, demountable or relocatable facilities) at a location as chosen by the customer organisation. This may or may not be on the customer's site.

Provider(s) on this Lot will be required to provide the relevant type of imaging equipment as requested by the customer. Services, as ultimately defined by the customer, that may be provided by successful Applicants in respect of this Lot may include (but shall not be limited to) the provision of:

- (imaging) equipment including any consumables,
- a booking service; an
- an imaging reporting service to facilitate clinical patient diagnosis (by the customer).

This service provision within this Lot is unstaffed. The types of imaging services that may be required in this lot are (but shall not be limited to):

- Bone Densitometry,
- Cardiac Angiography,
- CT,
- Mammography,
- MRI,
- PET CT,
- X-ray.

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 7 000 000 GBP in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement. The estimated value over the full 48 month term, if extended (NHS Supply Chain reserve the right to vary this in any future Contract Notice) is 32 000 000 GBP

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all applicants who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the tender documents and whose total score meets or exceeds a hurdle of at least 50 % at tender evaluation stage and appointment (or award) shall be made to the relevant Lot.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Service, Support & Training / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Financial Criteria / Weighting: 40

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 32 000 000.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 48

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:

This Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a period up to 48 months.

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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:**

Mobile Services - Operating Theatre (Staffed)

Lot No: 3

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

44211100

34223330

85111100

33100000

85121200

75200000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

The services required within this Lot 3 are to enable the customer to carry out various surgical procedures and the provision of patient care within a sterile mobile or modular unit (This may include, the supply of vehicular, modular, demountable or relocatable facilities) at a location, as chosen by the customer organization. This may or may not be on the customer's site.

Services, as ultimately defined by the customer, that may be provided by successful Applicants in respect of this Lot may include (but shall not be limited to) the provision of:

- at least one member of staff (including Operating Department Practitioners, Operating Department Assistants and other clinical support staff) who must be skilled and fully qualified in the procedures and use of equipment within the operating theatre environment,
- operating theatre equipment including any consumables,
- a booking service and/or reporting service.

Typically, the services required under this Lot do not include the supply of any anaesthetist or surgeons to perform a procedure, as these members of staff would be supplied by the customer procuring the service. However, Operating Department Practitioners, Operating Department Assistants and other clinical support staff must be provided by the successful Applicant(s) where these are required by the customer. The types of mobile/modular theatre services that may be required in this lot are (but shall not be limited to):

- Cardiology,
- Dental,
- Endoscopy,
- ENT,
- General Surgery,
- Gynaecology,
- Lithotripsy,
- Minors/A & E,
- Wards,
- Clinics,
- Consultation Rooms,
- Visiting Hospital,
- Day Surgery.

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 13 000 000 GBP in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement. The estimated value over the full 48 month term, if extended (NHS Supply Chain reserve the right to vary this in any future Contract Notice) is 64 000 000 GBP

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all applicants who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the tender documents and whose total score meets or exceeds a hurdle of at least 50 % at tender evaluation stage and appointment (or award) shall be made to the relevant Lot.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Service, Support & Training / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Financial Criteria / Weighting: 40

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 64 000 000.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 48

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:

This Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a period up to 48 months.

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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:**

Mobile Services - Operating Theatre (Unstaffed)

Lot No: 4

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

44211100

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

The services required within this Lot 4 are to enable the customer to carry out various surgical procedures within a sterile mobile or modular unit (This may include, the supply of vehicular, modular, demountable or relocatable facilities) at a location, as chosen by the customer. This may or may not be on the customer's site.

Services, as ultimately defined by the customer, that may be provided by successful Applicants in respect of this Lot may include (but shall not be limited to) the provision of:

- operating theatre equipment including any consumables,
- a booking service and/or reporting service.

This service provision within this Lot is unstaffed.

The type of theatre services that may be required under this lot are (but shall not be limited to):

- Cardiology,
- Dental,
- Endoscopy,
- ENT,
- General Surgery,
- Gynaecology,
- Lithotripsy,
- Minors/A & E,
- Wards,
- Clinics,
- Consultation Rooms,
- Visiting Hospital,
- Day Surgery.

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 5 000 000 GBP in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement. The estimated value over the full 48 month term, (NHS Supply Chain reserve the right to vary this in any future Contract Notice) is 8 000 000 GBP.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all applicants who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the tender documents and whose total score meets or exceeds a hurdle of at least 50 % at tender evaluation stage and appointment (or award) shall be made to the relevant Lot.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Service, Support & Training / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Financial Criteria / Weighting: 40

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 8 000 000.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 48

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:

This Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a period up to 48 months.

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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:**

Strategic Clinical Solutions – Imaging

Lot No: 5

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

33100000

85121200

85150000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

The service within this Lot 5 is to facilitate the capture of diagnostic images (such as CT/MRI examinations) and the provision of patient care at a location as chosen by the customer which may or may not be on the customer's, permanent or fixed, site location (i.e. excluding mobile).

Services, as ultimately defined by the customer, that may be provided by successful Applicants in respect of this Lot may include (but shall not be limited to) the provision of:

- All staff (including Radiographers and any other clinical support staff) who must be skilled and fully qualified in the operation of the (imaging) equipment,
- (imaging) equipment including any consumables,
- a booking service; and
- an imaging reporting service to facilitate clinical patient diagnosis (by the customer).

Provider(s) must therefore be able to offer these services. The type of imaging services that may be required under this lot are (but shall not be limited to):

- Bone Densitometry,
- Cardiac Angiography,
- CT,
- Mammography,
- MRI,

- PET CT,
- X-ray.

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 18 000 000 GBP in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement. The estimated value over the full 48 month term, if extended (NHS Supply Chain reserve the right to vary this in any future Contract Notice) is 64 000 000 GBP.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all applicants who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the tender documents and whose total score meets or exceeds a hurdle of at least 50 % at tender evaluation stage and appointment (or award) shall be made to the relevant Lot.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Service, Support & Training / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Financial Criteria / Weighting: 40

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 64 000 000.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 48

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:

This Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a period up to 48 months.

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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:**

Strategic Clinical Solutions – Operating Theatres

Lot No: 6

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

33100000

85121200

85111100

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

The services required within this Lot 6 are to enable the customer to carry out various surgical procedures and the provision of patient care within a sterile operating theatre environment at a permanent location as chosen

by the customer which may or may not be on the customer's, permanent or fixed, site location (i.e. excluding mobile units).

Services, as ultimately defined by the customer, that may be provided by successful Applicants in respect of this Lot may include (but shall not be limited to) the provision of:

- staff who are qualified to perform or assist in operations (e.g. in respect of orthopaedic or general surgery),
- consumables and other related equipment required to perform the procedure(s),
- admission service,
- facilities to aid the recovery of patients; and
- a booking service.

The type of theatre services that may be required under this lot are (but shall not be limited to):

- Cardiology,
- Dental,
- Endoscopy,
- ENT,
- General Surgery,
- Gynaecology,
- Lithotripsy,
- Minors/A & E,
- Wards,
- Clinics,
- Consultation Rooms,
- Visiting Hospital,
- Day Surgery.

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 8 000 000 GBP in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement. The estimated value over the full 48 month term, (NHS Supply Chain reserve the right to vary this in any future Contract Notice) is 32 000 000 GBP.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all applicants who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the tender documents and whose total score meets or exceeds a hurdle of at least 50 % at tender evaluation stage and appointment (or award) shall be made to the relevant Lot.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Service, Support & Training / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Financial Criteria / Weighting: 40

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 32 000 000.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 48

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:

This Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a period up to 48 months.

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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:**

Mobile Ultrasound Services (Staffed)

Lot No: 7

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

85150000

85111100

85121200

75200000

33124120

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

The service requirement within this Lot 7 is for an ultrasound scanning service, to meet the customer's (clinical speciality) needs.

This service may be mobile or delivered at static site as defined by the customer; which may or may not be on a customer's site.

Services, as ultimately defined by the customer, that may be provided by successful Applicants in respect of this Lot may include (but shall not be limited to) the provision of:

- obtaining an ultrasound image for diagnosis purposes,
- reporting of the ultrasound findings to the customer to enable the customer to make clinical patient diagnosis,
- consumables and ultrasound scanner equipment required to produce the diagnostic report(s) and in order to perform the ultrasound procedure(s),
- a booking service; and
- at least one member of staff (Sonographer) who must be skilled and fully qualified in the operation of the (ultrasound) equipment.

The types of ultrasound services that are covered by this Lot are (but shall not be limited to):

- General Such as Abdomen, Liver, Kidneys,
- Cardiac,
- Breast,
- Neonatal,
- Vascular,
- Obstetrics/Gynaecology,
- Musculoskeletal,
- Interventional Musculoskeletal.

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 4 000 000 GBP in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement. The estimated

value over the full 48 month term, if extended, (NHS Supply Chain reserve the right to vary this in any future Contract Notice) is 16 000 000 GBP.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all applicants who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the tender documents and whose total score meets or exceeds a hurdle of at least 50 % at tender evaluation stage and appointment (or award) shall be made to the relevant Lot.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Service, Support & Training / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Financial Criteria / Weighting: 40

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 16 000 000.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 48

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:

This Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a period up to 48 months.

II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues

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:

Medical Diagnostic Reporting Services

Lot No: 8

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

85150000

75100000

85111800

85111810

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

The service requirement within this Lot 8 is for the provider(s) to supply a provision for the reporting of medical diagnostic images to alleviate the pressures of in-house diagnostic reporting. Services, as ultimately defined by the customer, that may be provided by successful Applicants in respect of this Lot may include the following clinical areas (but shall not be limited to) the provision of:

- Radiology,
- Endoscopy,
- Ultrasound.

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 15 000 000 GBP in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement. The estimated value over the full 48 month term, if extended (NHS Supply Chain reserve the right to vary this in any future Contract Notice) is 64 000 000 GBP

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all applicants who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the tender documents and whose total score meets or exceeds a hurdle of at least 50 % at tender evaluation stage and appointment (or award) shall be made to the relevant Lot.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Service, Support & Training / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Service, Support & Training / Weighting: 40

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 64 000 000.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 48

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:

This Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a period up to 48 months.

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

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 III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) **Conditions for participation**

III.1.1) **Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions:

Applicants should refer to each II.2.4 of this Contract Notice for further details in respect of appointment to the individual Lots across the Framework Agreement.

Applicants may bid for one, more than one or all of the Lots and Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for more information in respect of this.

The term of contracts formed under the Framework Agreement may continue beyond the end of the term of the Framework Agreement itself.

NHS Supply Chain expects to provide successful Suppliers with the opportunity to offer additional savings to customers through the provision of discounted pricing, value added offerings and commitment initiatives.

NHS Supply Chain will share savings information in order to assist its customers with making informed procurement decisions.

The Framework Agreement will be between NHS Supply Chain acting as an agent of the NHS Business Services Authority and the Applicant, however 1) NHS Supply Chain; 2) any NHS Trust; 3) any other NHS entity; 4) any government department, agency or other statutory body (for the avoidance of doubt including local authorities) and/or 5) any private sector entity active in the UK healthcare sector will be able to enter into a direct contract with the Applicant for any of the Services under the Framework. Direct contracts placed under the Framework Agreement by parties other than NHS Supply Chain are between the party and the Applicant, NHS Supply Chain is not a party to those contracts. Such orders may arise after a mini competition process and Applicants should note that only NHS Supply Chain will be entitled to reopen competition under the Framework, unless express written consent from NHS Supply Chain is provided.

For the avoidance of doubt, and notwithstanding the estimate indicated at II.1.5, NHS Supply Chain does not guarantee any level of purchase through the framework and advises Applicants that the framework shall be established on a non-exclusive basis. Tenders and all supporting documentation for the contract must be priced in sterling and written in English. Any agreement entered into will be considered a contract made in England according to English law and will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts. NHS Supply Chain is not liable for any costs (including any third party costs fees or expenses incurred by those expressing an interest, participating or tendering for this contract opportunity. NHS Supply Chain reserves the right to terminate the procurement process (or part of it), to change the basis of and the procedures for the procurement process at any time, or to procure the subject matter of the contract by alternative means if it appears that it can be more advantageously procured by alternative means. The most economically advantageous or any tender will not automatically be accepted. All communications must be made through NHS Supply Chain's eTendering portal at <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/> using the Message Centre facility linked to this particular contract notice.

Please note that the maximum number of suppliers as set out in IV.1.3 is an estimate only.

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

A Parent company or other guarantees may be required in certain circumstances. Further details will be in the tender documents.

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to require groupings of entities to take a particular form, or to require one party to undertake primary legal liability or to require that each party undertakes joint and several liability.

III.1.5) Information about reserved contracts

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions:

The Framework Agreement includes obligations with respect to environmental issues and a requirement for successful suppliers to comply with the NHS Supply Chain Code of Conduct.

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 25

IV.1.4) **Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue**

IV.1.6) **Information about electronic auction**

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.2.1) **Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number in the OJ S: [2017/S 163-336118](#)

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

Date: 07/01/2019

Local time: 15:00

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.2.6) **Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 7 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date: 08/01/2019

Local time: 09:00

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) **Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2) **Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) **Additional information:**

Submission of expression of interest and procurement specific information:

This procurement exercise will be conducted on the NHS Supply Chain eTendering portal at <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>

Candidates wishing to be considered for this contract must register their expression of interest and provide additional procurement-specific information (if required) through the NHS Supply Chain eTendering portal as follows:

Registration.

1. Use URL <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/> to access the NHS Supply Chain Procurement portal.

2. If not yet registered:

— Click on the 'Not Registered Yet' link to access the registration page,

— Complete the registration pages as guided by the mini guide found on the landing page.

Portal access.

If registration has been completed:

— Login with URL <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>,

— Click on the 'Supplier Dashboard' icon to open the list of new procurement events.

Expression of interest.

- View Contract Notice content by clicking on the 'VIEW NOTICE' button for the procurement event. This opens a PDF document,
- Express an interest by clicking on the 'EXPRESS INTEREST' button,
- To start the response process after the expression of interest has been done, select the 'My Active Opportunities' option and click on the 'Apply' button,
- Select the procurement event from the list by clicking on the description
- In the detail view click on the orange coloured 'Framework Agreement' button to start responding to the tender.

Header level requirements:

- Applicants are required to read all Framework Header Documents which can be accessed using the 'NHS SC HEADER DOCUMENTS' button, which is located in the 'SELECT FRAMEWORK' tab,
- Applicants are required to upload the documents requested using the 'SUPPLIER HEADER DOCUMENTS' button, which is located in the 'SELECT FRAMEWORK' tab.

Lot level requirements:

- A preview of the Lot line details can be viewed using the 'LOT HEADER' tab, by selecting the Lot and using the 'LOT LINE INFORMATION' button. In order to respond to a Lot, Applicants must select the relevant Lot and then use the 'EXPRESS INTENT' button. This expression of intent does not place any obligation on the Applicant to respond, the action unlocks the ability to respond,
- Complete price offers per line for the Lot by completing the required fields for the lines the Applicant wants to include in the bid using the 'LOT LINE DETAIL' tab. There are a number of mandatory fields to complete on a product line basis; these are highlighted in yellow in the 'LOT LINE DETAIL' tab,
- Applicants are required to answer all mandatory Lot specific questions found in the 'LOT EVALUATION CRITERIA' tab,
- Applicants are then required to click on the 'TERMS AND CONDITIONS' button in the 'SUBMIT INDIVIDUAL LOT RESPONSE(S)' tab to view and accept the ISS Terms and Conditions,
- Accept the ISS 'TERMS AND CONDITIONS' button to access this function,
- Submit Lot response, by clicking on the 'SUBMIT RESPONSE TO SELECTED LOT' button in the 'SUBMIT INDIVIDUAL LOT RESPONSE(S)' tab to submit response for the Lot. Each Lot must be submitted independently,
- Applicants are able to view their submission using the 'SUPPLIER SUBMISSION REPORT' button, found in the 'SUBMIT INDIVIDUAL LOT RESPONSE(S)' tab.

Please refer to Section III.1.1 for additional information.

VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**

NHS Supply chain
Normanton
United Kingdom

VI.4.2) **Body responsible for mediation procedures**

NHS Supply chain
Normanton
United Kingdom

VI.4.3) **Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

Appeals to be logged in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended).

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

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

22/11/2018