Market Engagement – Transparency Disclosure

**NHS National Framework Agreement Home Delivery Service Pulmonary Hypertension.**

**Offer reference number: CM/MSR/17/5557**

**Period of framework agreement: 1st June 2024 – 30th May 2026 with an option or options to extend (at the Authority’s discretion) for a period or periods up to a total of 24 months.**

Notification of the Pre tender meeting was sent out via the industry trade body (National Clinical Homecare Association) with both incumbent suppliers and those suppliers who had expressed an interest in attending via an invitation on 5th September 2023. The following organisations attended this meeting:

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| **PH Centre** | **Supplier** |
| Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust | Lloyds Pharmacy Clinical Homecare |
| Royal Brompton & Harefield NHS Foundation Trust | Polar Speed |
| The Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Trust | Healthcare at Home |
| Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust | Pharmaxo (apologies) |
| Royal Papworth Hospital NHS Foundation Trust | HealthNet |
| Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust | Quest healthcare |
| Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust |  |
| NHS England (Commissioning) |  |
| CMU (NHS England) |  |
| PHA UK |  |

To ensure no supplier has an undue advantage the key points and information conveyed have been summarised in the meeting notes and presentation below. A recording of the Teams meetings is available upon request.

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**Overview**

* 1. **Structure of the Day**Open forum to discuss changes and clarity to the tender followed by one to one sessions with the suppliers looking for all to contribute
  2. **Rules of engagement**

No discussion of actual pricing or company sensitive information

* 1. **The Specification and other documents**

These documentsare still all draft and are subject to change

* 1. **Planned time-table**

Find a tender notice due to be published wk commencing 25th September 2023,

Adjudication December 2023,

Contract to be awarded February/March 2024

Start date 1st June 2024

* 1. **Purpose (**what we want to achieve)

The purpose of the meeting to give an opportunity for interested parties to learn more about the framework, and an opportunity for comments and questions, before the tender goes live.

* 1. **Documents available for viewing on the day:**

Document 5 – Specification

Document 6 – Commercial Schedule

Please note final versions of these documents, plus all others are in the tender pack.

**1. Key Framework Points**

As discussed in the presentation.

1. **The Patient Perspective**

A Video was shared from the PHA UK

1. **Introduction to Specification**

Each tab of the specification was reviewed, questions received on the delivery tab around the signing of POD’s. It was agreed to remove and update the specification point in line with the national standard approach to allow for further development and innovations in this area.

1. **Commercial Schedule**

Offer Schedule document explained. Suppliers will be expected to submit pricing for all services.

A request to separate medical grade fridges from domestic fridges due to varying prices. This has been agreed and the schedule updated.

1. **Ancillaries and Equipment Lists**

Information provided at individual meetings:

* Many questions would be answered in full on reading of the full tender pack once available.
* Requirements to submit for of both IV and Oral services.

**Appendix 1 of the agenda - Questions raised by stakeholder group to suppliers prior to meeting.**

1. What is your business provision for the PH service if the was requirement for patients and clinical staff to contact suppliers during these times:  
   08:00 – 22:00 weekdays,  
   Saturday 09:00 – 12:00.
2. Please advise if patients services helpline is different to your out of hours emergency phone line?
3. Do you have a contact number for the NHS that differs from the Patient helpline number?
4. Which languages can you provide free of charge?

Stakeholders asked further questions of the attending Homecare companies around capacity for oral and IV therapies, Prescription management, point of contact card or leaflet coverage.