

OPPORTUNITY NOTICE – Housebound Anticoagulation Service Provision for Leicester City CCG

This is a call for competition. NHS Leicester City Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) are commissioning a new out of hours service.

The Commissioner wishes to receive responses to the Invitation to Tender (ITT) from suitably qualified and experienced Providers with the necessary capacity and capability (or a demonstrable ability to provide the necessary capacity and capability) to provide the range of services required.

The Provider must ensure services are appropriate to local needs, access and convenience are important aspects of a patient-centred service, but it is also vital that the services are appropriate and responsive to the needs of the local population. The Provider must have the required legal status to deliver this service in the community using nursing and / or appropriate clinical staff; have the knowledge, training and skills to initiate, dose and monitor anticoagulation therapy for housebound patients and ensure timely and high-quality care.

The contract length will be 26 months with an option to extend for up to 12 months subject to satisfactory review. The contract is due to commence on 1st February 2019 with the possibility of up to 2.5 WTE Band 6 nursing staff being able to TUPE into the new service on NHS terms and conditions.

The maximum cost envelope for this service is £180,000 per annum which cannot be exceeded for approximately 260 housebound patients over the age of 18 years registered with GP practices in Leicester City CCG.

The ITT will be live on the 18th September 2018 on M&L CSU Bravo portal (see below) and it will have a deadline for submissions of 10:30am on the 8th October 2018. Clarifications may be asked during the procurement process up to a week before the ITT deadline, i.e. the deadline for submitting clarification questions on the tender is 12:00 noon 4th October 2018.

Interested providers are guided to the MLCSU eProcurement portal Bravo at <https://mlcsu.bravosolution.co.uk> to register their interest and gain access to this procurement's documents and more specific information. Please see next page for instructions on how to register on the portal.



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“Light Touch Regime” services

This procurement is for clinical services which are Light Touch Regime services for the purpose of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 as specified in Schedule 3 of the Regulations (“Regulations”). Accordingly, the contracting authorities are only bound by those parts of the Regulations detailed in Chapter 3 Particular Procurement Regimes Section 7. The contracting authorities are not voluntarily following any other part of the Regulations.

The procedure which the contracting authorities are following is set out in the MOI and ITT. As the CCG is a relevant body for the purpose of the National Health Service (Procurement, Patient Choice and Competition) (No 2) Regulations 2013 these Regulations also apply to this procurement.

Right to Cancel

The contracting authority reserves the right to discontinue the procurement process at any time, which shall include the right not to award a contract or contracts, and does not bind itself to accept the lowest tender, or any tender received, and reserves the right to award a contract in part, or to call for new tenders should it consider this necessary. The contracting authority shall not be liable for any costs or expenses incurred by any candidate or tenderer in connection with the completion and return of the information requested in this Contract Notice, or in the completion or submission of any tender, irrespective of the outcome of the competition or if the competition is cancelled or postponed. All dates, time periods and values specified in this notice are provisional and the contracting authority reserves the right to change these.

Transparency

The contracting authority is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR) and may be required to disclose information received in the course of this procurement under FOIA or the EIR. In addition, and in accordance with the UK Government's policies on transparency, the contracting authority intends to publish procurement documentation and the text of any resulting contractual arrangements, subject to possible redactions at the discretion of the contracting authority. Any redactions, whether in relation to information requests under FOIA, the EIR or policies on transparency will be in accordance with those grounds prescribed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004. Further information on transparency can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procurement-and-contracting-transparency-requirements-guidance>

To register on the Bravo portal

If your organisation has registered previously, you do not need to re-register.

- 1) Register on the portal webpage at <https://mlcsu.bravosolution.co.uk> (registration and use of the website is free of charge).
- 2) Once registered, candidates must Express their Interest by:
 - a) logging into the ML CSU eTendering Bravo portal
 - b) selecting response to ITT_609,
 - c) select Open Access ITT_609,
 - d) search for and access listing related to this contract and view details,
 - e) click on Express Interest link.

