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**United Kingdom-London: Medical consumables
2019/S 201-487776**

Prior information notice

This notice is for prior information only

Supplies

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Address of the buyer profile: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health/about/procurement>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

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Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available.
Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at: <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS>

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:**

Medical Hollowware

II.1.2) **Main CPV code**

33140000

II.1.3) **Type of contract**

Supplies

II.1.4) **Short description:**

NHS Supply Chain seeks to establish a framework agreement which will cover a range of Medical Hollowware products for both single use and reusable, including, but not limited to, bed pans/urinals, medicine pots (including gallipots and denture pots), jugs, medicine spoons, instrument trays, kidney dishes, lotion bowls and wash bowls. The estimated value over the total framework agreement term is expected to be in the region of 4 100 000 GBP (cost ex VAT) however this is approximate only. It is anticipated that in the first 12 months of the framework agreement the value of purchases will be circa 1 025 000 (cost ex VAT) however this is approximate only. The figures for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure and include a forecast for growth.

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 4 100 000.00 GBP

II.1.6) **Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: yes

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Disposable Medical Hollowware
Lot No: 1

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

33140000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

The framework agreement will cover a range of Medical Hollowware products including, but not limited to, disposable bedpans/urinals, medicine pots (including gallipots and denture pots) jugs, medicine spoons instrument trays, kidney dishes, lotion bowls and wash bowls.

Precise quantities are unknown, it is anticipated that initial expenditure will be 850 000 GBP (cost ex VAT) 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 total framework agreement term is expected to be in the region of 3 400 000 GBP (cost ex VAT) however this is approximate only.

The following certification will be a requirement of the upcoming tender exercise and Applicants may be required to include evidence of this with their tender submission.

ISO 9001:2015 or equivalent externally accredited and up-to-date quality standard certificate(s) to cover all segments of the applicant's (and the product's) supply chain. This should include but not be limited to manufacturing storage and distribution. Applicants should note that if an Applicant intends to commit to obtain ISO9001 at tender submission then further evidence will be asked for with their bid to provide evidence of their current position in obtaining ISO9001. The requirement is that ISO9001 is in place at prior to the commencement of the framework agreement (in order for NHS Supply Chain to trade with the successful applicant).

Evidence of compliance to the Medical Devices Directive 93/42/EEC may be requested as part of your tender response. Applicants will be required to submit the following 2 forms of evidence: a valid, in date CE certificate issued by a notified body covering the scope of products that are to be tendered for and an EC declaration of conformity covering all tendered product lines (please note multiple certificates and declarations are acceptable). There will be no option to commit to obtain the certificates and declarations of conformity.

II.2.14) **Additional information**

Evidence of compliance to the specification, applicants may be required to submit ward ready samples for each tendered product.

NHS Supply Chain reserves the right to re-open competition under this framework agreement with the successfully awarded applicants.

The framework agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend incrementally for up to a total period of 48 months.

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Reusable Medical Hollowware

Lot No: 2

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

33140000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

The framework agreement will cover a range of reusable medical hollowware products including, but not limited to, bedpans/urinals, medicine pots (including gallipots and denture pots), jugs, medicine spoons, instrument trays, kidney dishes, lotion bowls and wash bowls.

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be 175 000 GBP (Cost ex VAT) 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 total framework agreement term is expected to be in the region of 700 000 GBP (cost ex VAT) however this is approximate only.

The following certification will be a requirement of the upcoming tender exercise and applicants may be required to include evidence of this with their tender submission.

ISO 9001:2015 or equivalent externally accredited and up-to-date quality standard certificate(s) to cover all segments of the applicant's (and the product's) supply chain. This should include but not be limited to manufacturing storage and distribution. Applicants should note that if an Applicant intends to commit to

obtain ISO9001 at tender submission then further evidence will be asked for with their bid to provide evidence of their current position in obtaining ISO9001. The requirement is that ISO9001 is in place at prior to the commencement of the framework agreement (in order for NHS Supply Chain to trade with the successful applicant).

Evidence of compliance to the Medical Devices Directive 93/42/EEC may be requested as part of your tender response. Applicants will be required to submit the following 2 forms of evidence: a valid, in date CE certificate issued by a notified body covering the scope of products that are to be tendered for and an EC declaration of conformity covering all tendered product lines (please note multiple certificates and declarations are acceptable). There will be no option to commit to obtain the certificates and declarations of conformity.

II.2.14) Additional information

Evidence of compliance to the specification, applicants may be required to submit ward ready samples for each tendered product.

NHS Supply Chain reserves the right to re-open competition under this framework agreement with the successfully awarded applicants.

The framework agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend incrementally for up to a total period of 48 months.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice:

18/06/2020

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information:

The purpose of this notice is to draw attention to a procurement that NHS Supply Chain intends to commence during the subsequent 12 months. The invitation to tender will be the subject of a separate notice and it is that notice to which potential applicants will need to respond at the appropriate time.

The framework agreement between NHS Supply Chain and successful applicants will reserve the right to purchase the same or similar supplies and/or services from suppliers not appointed to the framework agreement at its sole discretion.

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 bulk buy initiatives.

NHS Supply Chain intends to enter into arrangements under which it will be entitled to purchase applicants and/or services which it will make available for purchase by:

- 1) Any NHS Trust;
- 2) Any other NHS entity;
- 3) Any government department, agency or other statutory body and/or 4) any private sector entity active in the UK healthcare sector. Only NHS Supply Chain can order from the framework agreement and enter into contracts under it.

As part of its pre-tender strategy, NHS Supply Chain would also like to engage with suppliers of these products via a Request for Information (RFI). If applicants would like to complete the request for information document in respect of the products which are the subject of this procurement then please follow the below instructions.

Candidates wishing to complete the request for information must register their expression of interest. The request for information document will then be sent via the Intenda Messaging Centre.

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 and select 'Prior Information Notice' towards the top right of the screen to open the list of new prior information notices.

Expression of interest:

— view PIN 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.

Request for information document:

— the request for information document will then be sent to you via the Intenda Messaging Centre,

— applicants will then have 4 weeks from the dispatch of this notice to complete and return the request for information document.

In addition, NHS Supply Chain anticipates holding pre-tender meetings with suppliers. If you would like to arrange a meeting, please contact Louisa Elsworth via <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS> to register your attendance.

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

15/10/2019