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**United Kingdom-Normanton: Artificial parts of the body
2017/S 156-323541**

Contract notice

Supplies

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.2) Joint procurement

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>
Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>
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:

Artificial Limb, Components and Associated Products.

II.1.2) Main CPV code

33184000

II.1.3) **Type of contract**

Supplies

II.1.4) **Short description:**

For a range of items in a prosthetics department to include, but not limited to conventional limbs, covering for upper and lower limbs, feet and ankles, hips, knees, liners, hand, wrist and elbow prostheses, prosthetic socks, silicone cosmesis, structural components.

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.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 32 000 000.00 GBP

II.1.6) **Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

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

33141750

33183200

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

Main site or place of performance:

Various locations in UK.

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

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases will be 16 000 000 GBP, however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure and include a forecast for growth.

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: 32 000 000.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 24

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options:

This Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a further period of up to 24 months in addition to the initial 24 month period as set out in the Framework Agreement.

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:

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.

Tender response.

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.

— Please note, whilst there are no Lots in this Framework Agreement, 'Lot' references are still used within the ISS System.

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 the discount offered by completing the required field using the 'LOT LINE DETAIL' tab. There is a mandatory field to complete on the Line; this is 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.

III.1.2) **Economic and financial standing**

III.1.3) **Technical and professional ability**

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: 12

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: [2016/S 221-403353](#)

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

Date: 14/09/2017

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: 15/09/2017

Local time: 09:00

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure:

Only the NHS Supply Chain contract owner or delegate.

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:

Please note that the maximum number of suppliers as set out in II.1.4 is an estimate only. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for details of the scoring process to be used to assess the Suppliers to be appointed to the Framework Agreement.

NHS Supply Chain reserves the right to appoint more suppliers to the Framework Agreement in the event that more than 10 reach the minimum score for appointment which is set out in the Invitation to Tender.

Applicants should note that appointment to the Framework Agreement will be as set out in the Invitation to Tender. Further details in respect of this are set out in the Invitation to Tender.

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

The Framework Agreement will be between NHS Supply Chain and the Supplier, 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 Supplier for any of the supplies and/or services under the Framework.

The Supplier will be required to report to and pay a direct contract management fee to NHS Supply Chain as detailed in the tender documents.

Direct Contract Products.

Artificial Limb, Components and Associated Products as set out in the documents.

Electronic ordering will be used and electronic invoicing will be accepted and electronic payment will be used.

For the avoidance of doubt, and notwithstanding the estimate indicated at II.2.1, 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.

VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**

Not applicable

Not applicable

United Kingdom

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

VI.4.3) **Review procedure**

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

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

15/08/2017