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**All messages regarding the offer documentation should**

**be sent via the Atamis Website:**

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**Invitation to offer for Project title: NHS National Framework for the supply of Ustekinumab 1 September 2024**

**Offer reference number: CM/TNS/24/5711**

**CM/TNS/24/5711/01 - NHS Framework for the supply of Ustekinumab - London & South of England. Period of framework: 1 September 2024 to 31 August 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.**

**CM/TNS/24/5711/02 - NHS Framework for the supply of Ustekinumab - North of England and Midlands & East. Period of framework: 1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025 with an option or options to extend (at the Authority’s discretion) for a period or periods up to a total of 24 months.**

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Please be reminded that **from the 1st of April 2024 to be successfully awarded in any MVA tenders you will need to have submitted an Evergreen assessment on the Atamis portal and have a Carbon Reduction Plan in place.**

**Evergreen Assessment -** The requirement to submit an Evergreen assessment is on a pass/fail basis. Therefore, if you have not submitted an evergreen assessment at the time of bid submission you will not be able to gain a place on an NHSE medicines framework or contract.

For further information on the policy requirements [please click here.](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.sps.nhs.uk%2Farticles%2Fnet-zero-and-social-value-requirements-in-nhse-medicines-tenders%2F&data=05%7C01%7Ckatie.noonan%40nhs.net%7Cf237574ba54c4a331f0308dbf5b65d1b%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638373935804650535%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=auE2KJVbABhLa%2Fo3X3LUJDzha4wdRdN0zJq99Y5aKBI%3D&reserved=0)

(Link: <https://www.sps.nhs.uk/articles/net-zero-and-social-value-requirements-in-nhse-medicines-tenders/> )

For further technical information on submitting your Evergreen assessment [please click here.](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.england.nhs.uk%2Fnhs-commercial%2Fcentral-commercial-function-ccf%2Fevergreen%2F&data=05%7C01%7Ckatie.noonan%40nhs.net%7Cf237574ba54c4a331f0308dbf5b65d1b%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638373935804806725%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=zYUcIxjPcvkcHkZNmr8EEr%2FkdP%2FYy4h5VKoLY2Db1Ns%3D&reserved=0)

(Link: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/nhs-commercial/central-commercial-function-ccf/evergreen/> )

**Carbon Reduction Plan -** The requirement to have a Carbon Reduction Plan is on a pass/fail basis. Therefore, if you have not submitted your organisations Carbon Reduction Plan in the Supplier Questionnaire part of the bid documents you will not be able to gain a place on an NHSE medicines framework or contract.

For further information on the policy requirements [please click here.](https://www.england.nhs.uk/long-read/carbon-reduction-plan-requirements-for-the-procurement-of-nhs-goods-services-and-works/)

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NHS England (‘Authority’) invites offers for the above mentioned goods and/or services as defined in **Document No.03 Framework Agreement and Terms and Conditions**.

Offers shall be made subject to the terms of:

Document No.00 Read me First

Document No.01 This covering letter

Document No.02 Terms of offer

Document No.03 Framework Agreement and Terms and Conditions

Document No.04a Quality Assurance Process

Document No.04b Assessment Criteria, Stability Protocol and Additional Specification Requirements

Document No.05 Selectt offer schedule instructions

Document No.05a(i) Selectt offer schedule CM\_TNS\_24\_5711\_01

Document No.05a(ii) Selectt offer schedule CM\_TNS\_24\_5711\_02

Document No.05b(i) Product listing and usage CM\_TNS\_24\_5711\_01

Document No.05b(ii) Product listing and usage CM\_TNS\_24\_5711\_02

Document No. 05c Variant Offer Schedule - CM\_TNS\_24\_5711

Document No.06 Form of offer

Document No.07a Quality control technical sheet

Document No.07b Quality Assurance Policy to support the National Contract Procurement of Licensed Medicines v6.1

Document No. 08 Confidential information schedule

Document No. 10 Participating Authorities

all of which constitute this Invitation to offer.

If any of the documents constituting the Invitation to offer is missing please contact the undersigned immediately via the Atamis messaging portal.

The Authority does not bind itself to accept the lowest offer or any offer at all and reserves the right to accept an offer either in whole or in part, each item being for this purpose treated as offered separately. The Authority reserves the right to conclude a framework agreement for the supply of the goods and/or services with more than one Offeror.

I would like to draw your attention to the following important points when completing and submitting your offer:

1. All offers must be written in English.

2. All offers must be submitted subject to and in accordance with the documentation comprising the Invitation to offer. Save where the Offerors are instructed to provide information, the documentation comprising the Invitation to offer must not be amended in any way.

3. All offers must be loaded onto the Medicines Procurement and Supply Chain’s eTendering portal health.atamis.co.uk

4. Offers must be open for 90 days.

5. Offers must be fully completed and available on the designated website no later than **13:00** on **Monday 1st July 2024.**

I must also draw your attention to the enclosed Form of offer where all the requirements for completing and submitting an offer can be found. Failure to comply with these instructions may result in your offer being rejected.

I hope that the above instructions are clear but please contact the undersigned via the Atamis messaging portal if there is anything you wish to clarify.

Yours sincerely,



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