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## NHS National Framework for Tocilizumab - March 2024

NHS England

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# Section I: Contracting authority

## I.1) Name and addresses

NHS England  
Quarry House, Quarry Hill  
Leeds  
LS2 7UE

### Contact

Katie Noonan

### Email

[katie.noonan@nhs.net](mailto:katie.noonan@nhs.net)

### Country

United Kingdom

### NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

***Main address***

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/> (<https://www.england.nhs.uk/>)

***Buyer's address***

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/> (<https://www.england.nhs.uk/>)

## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

## **I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome> (<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome> (<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>)

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

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

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome> (<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>)

#### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

#### **I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

NHS National Framework for Tocilizumab - March 2024

#### ***Reference number***

CM/PHR/23/5702

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 33600000 - Pharmaceutical products

### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

### **II.1.4) Short description**

Project Title: NHS National Framework for Tocilizumab - March 2024

Offer reference number: CM/PHR/23/5702

CM/PHR/23/5702/01 NHS Framework for Tocilizumab LONDON and SOUTH OF ENGLAND. Period of framework: 1 March 2024 to 28 February 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.

CM/PHR/23/5702/02 NHS Framework for Tocilizumab NORTH OF ENGLAND and MIDLANDS AND EAST. Period of framework: 1 March 2024 to 28 February 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.

### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £150,000,000

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

CM/PHR/23/5702/01

#### ***Lot No***

1

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

- 33600000 - Pharmaceutical products

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

#### ***NUTS codes***

- UK - United Kingdom

#### ***Main site or place of performance***

Please refer to Document No. 10 in the ITO Documents for the list of Purchasing Points

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

CM/PHR/23/5702/01 NHS Framework for Tocilizumab LONDON and SOUTH OF ENGLAND. Period of framework: 1 March 2024 to 28 February 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.

### **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: £60,000,000

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

#### ***Start date***

1 March 2024

#### ***End date***

28 February 2025

#### ***This contract is subject to renewal***

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

### ***Description of options***

There will be an option to extend (at the Authority's discretion) for a period or periods up to a total of 24 months

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

CM/PHR/23/5702/02

### ***Lot No***

2

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

- 33600000 - Pharmaceutical products

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

### ***NUTS codes***

- UK - United Kingdom



### ***Main site or place of performance***

Please refer to Document No. 10 in the ITO Documents for the list of Purchasing Points

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

CM/PHR/23/5702/02 NHS Framework for Tocilizumab NORTH OF ENGLAND and MIDLANDS AND EAST. Period of framework: 1 March 2024 to 28 February 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.

### **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: £90,000,000

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

#### ***Start date***

1 March 2024

#### ***End date***

28 February 2025

***This contract is subject to renewal***

No

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

***Description of options***

There will be an option to extend (at the Authority's discretion) for a period or periods up to a total of 24 months

**II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

**III.1) Conditions for participation**

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

## **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

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

***Date***

3 January 2024

***Local time***

1:00pm

**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**

Tender must be valid until: 2 April 2024

**IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

***Date***

3 January 2024

***Local time***

1:00pm

***Place***

Runcorn

***Information about authorised persons and opening procedure***

## **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**

RESPONDING TO THIS NOTICE;

Any supplier may be disqualified who does not respond to the following in the requisite manner:

1) Submission of expression of interest and procurement specific information. This procurement exercise will be conducted on the eTendering portal at <http://health.atamis.co.uk> (<http://health.atamis.co.uk>)

Candidates wishing to be considered for this procurement exercise must register, and provide additional procurement specific information (if requested) through the eTendering portal as follows:

1.1) If not already registered, Candidates should register on the eTendering portal at <http://health.atamis.co.uk> (<http://health.atamis.co.uk>) and click the link

to register:

- agree to the user agreement
- populate company details

1.2) Once registered, candidates must register interest as follows:

- log to the portal
- select "Find Opportunities" from the supplier home screen, use the "Sort by:" facility to find this opportunity and select the bold blue title to select
- review opportunity details and click "Register Interest"
- as you select the opportunity, you can review documents, send clarification messages, submit the response or decline to respond (if you decide not to participate in the opportunity)

1.3) There is a supplier user guide on using the system and Candidates can contact the Atamis helpdesk at [supporthealth@atamis.co.uk](mailto:supporthealth@atamis.co.uk) or by calling 0800 9956035 for technical assistance when completing responses.

2) General supplier information.

To manage and assess supplier information the Contracting Authority requests candidates provide their company profile in the Government's Supplier Registration Service (which has replaced sid4gov), as follows:

2.1) If not already registered (the previous sid4gov password, login and details will still

be on the system), candidates must go to the following web page

<https://supplierregistration.cabinetoffice.gov.uk>

(<https://supplierregistration.cabinetoffice.gov.uk>)

and select "Register" at the top of the page.

Key in details as requested to search for your company. If you do not have a D-U-N-S® Number, click on the link at the right of the page to obtain a number from D&B.

Candidates must obtain a Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) D-U-N-S® Number to enable registration on the system.

2.2) Once registration is complete you are able to create and update your company profile. Candidates should ensure all the mandatory fields of their profile are completed and up to date for each procurement exercise.

D&B data will be supplied automatically by D&B.

2.3) For further help or information concerning this telephone +44 (0) 161 413 7982 or via the message function on the website.

#### **OTHER CONTRACTING AUTHORITIES**

The framework agreement is for the benefit of other participating NHS bodies (whether acting individually, or on behalf of, or together as members of any consortia) along with any other non-NHS bodies which the participants deem necessary for the delivery of services or goods to NHS bodies, local authorities, other government departments or non-departmental public bodies charged with the delivery of healthcare or health related services.

## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

The High Court  
The Strand  
London  
WC2A 2LL

#### ***Country***

United Kingdom

#### ***Internet address***

<https://www.judiciary.uk/courts-and-tribunals/high-court/>  
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