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## **Electrosurgical Consumables and Related Accessories**

NHS Supply Chain Operated by Supply Chain Coordination Ltd (SCCL)

F02: Contract notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Supply Chain Operated by Supply Chain Coordination Ltd (SCCL)

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#### Contact

Callie Barry

#### **Email**

callie.barry2@supplychain.nhs.uk

### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UKI4 - Inner London - East

## Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health

Buyer's address

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

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

https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

NHS Supply Chain

Foxbridge Way

Normanton

WF61TL

#### Contact

Callie Barry

#### **Email**

callie.barry2@supplychain.nhs.uk

### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

**UKE4 - West Yorkshire** 

### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health

Buyer's address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health/about/procurement

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//

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://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//

## 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

**Electrosurgical Consumables and Related Accessories** 

### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 33162000 - Operating theatre devices and instruments

### II.1.3) Type of contract

**Supplies** 

### II.1.4) Short description

The Framework Agreement is for the supply of electrosurgical consumables and related accessories including patient plate return electrodes, reusable patient return capacitive electrodes, electrosurgical pencils and electrodes, surgical plume products, suction coagulators, coablation wands, monopolar and bipolar forceps and related consumables. This framework was previously known as diathermy consumables.

It is anticipated that in the first 12 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases will be circa £14,080,000, however this is approximate only.

For the full 48 month term (if extended) the anticipated value is around £56,320,000. The figures for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure and include a forecast for growth. The values provided are for guidance only and are not a guarantee of business with successful suppliers.

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### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £56,320,000

## II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 6

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Patient Plate Return Electrodes, Reusable Patient Return Capacitive Electrodes and Associated Accessories

Lot No

Lot 1

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

- 33161000 Electrosurgical unit
- 33162100 Operating-theatre devices

### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot aims to offer Patient Return Electrode, compatible cables and leads and other associated Accessories. Patient Return Electrodes are designed to act as an inactive electrode to carry electric current away from the patient during a procedure that uses electrosurgery.

## II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Supply Chain Assessment / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Sales, Service and Quality / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Conversion Assistance / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Training and Education Value Add Programmes / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Fighting Climate Change / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Equal Opportunity / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 40

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

**Duration in months** 

36

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 for up to a total period of 48 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.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £2,000,000 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.

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Electrosurgical Pencils, Monopolar Electrode Attachments and Associated Products

Lot No

Lot 2

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

- 31711140 Electrodes
- 33161000 Electrosurgical unit
- 33162000 Operating theatre devices and instruments
- 33162100 Operating-theatre devices

### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot aims to offer Electrosurgical Pencils, Electrode attachments, tip cleaners, X-ray scratch pads, polishers and other associated accessories. Electrosurgical pencils are used during surgical procedures to cut both tissue and produce coagulation via electro-cautery. The Electrode attachments are used in conjunction with the diathermy pencils. Associated accessories can also be used in conjunction with both pencils and electrode attachments.

## II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Supply Chain Assessment / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Sales, Service and Quality / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Conversion Assistance / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Training and Education Value Add Programmes / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Fighting Climate Change / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Equal Opportunity / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 40

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

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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 for up to a total period of 48 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.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £3,500,000 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.

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Surgical Plume Extraction Products including Pencils, Monopolar and Bipolar Coagulation Forceps, Filters, Tips, Surgical Plume Evacuation Machines and Associated Products

Lot No

Lot 3

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

- 31711140 Electrodes
- 33161000 Electrosurgical unit
- 33162000 Operating theatre devices and instruments
- 33162100 Operating-theatre devices

### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot aims to offer Surgical Plume Extraction Products including Pencils, Monopolar and Bipolar Coagulation Forceps, Filters, Tips, Surgical Plume Evacuation Machines and Associated Products, these are used during surgical procedures to cut both tissue and product coagulation via electro-cautery. These pencils have an added feature of facilitating smoke evacuation via extraction tubes.

## II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Supply Chain Assessment / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Sales, Service and Quality / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Conversion Assistance / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Training and Education Value Add Programmes / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Fighting Climate Change / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Equal Opportunity / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 40

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

**Duration in months** 

36

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 for up to a total period of 48 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.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £6,000,000 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.

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Argon Plasma Coagulation (APC) Argon Hand Switch Pencil and associated APC tips/accessories/probes

Lot No

Lot 4

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

- 31711140 Electrodes
- 33161000 Electrosurgical unit
- 33162000 Operating theatre devices and instruments
- 33162100 Operating-theatre devices

## II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot aims to offer Argon Plasma Coagulation (APC) Argon Hand Switch Pencil and associated APC tips/accessories/probes. These are used during surgical procedures to cut both tissue and produce coagulation via electro-cautery. These pencils have an added feature of emitting a plume of Argon gas from the tip of the pencil to help improve visibility of the procedure site and reduce the amount of blood present during the procedure.

## II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Supply Chain Assessment / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Sales, Service and Quality / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Conversion Assistance / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Training and Education Value Add Programmes / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Fighting Climate Change / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Equal Opportunity / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 40

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

**Duration in months** 

36

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 for up to a total period of 48 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.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £50,000.00 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.

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Monopolar Suction Coagulators, Coblation Wands and Disposable Cautery Pencils

Lot No

Lot 5

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

- 33161000 Electrosurgical unit
- 33162000 Operating theatre devices and instruments
- 33162100 Operating-theatre devices

## II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot aims to offer Monopolar Suction Coagulators, these are used during open surgical procedures to aspirate blood and small tissue, whilst controlling bleeding.

## II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Supply Chain Assessment / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Sales, Service and Quality / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Conversion Assistance / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Training and Education Value Add Programmes / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Fighting Climate Change / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Equal Opportunity / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 40

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

**Duration in months** 

36

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 for up to a total period of 48 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.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £30,000.00 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.

## II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Forceps for electrosurgery including Monopolar coagulation and Bipolar coagulation forceps

Lot No

Lot 6

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

- 33161000 Electrosurgical unit
- 33162000 Operating theatre devices and instruments
- 33162100 Operating-theatre devices

### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot aims to offer Forceps for electrosurgery including Monopolar coagulation and Bipolar coagulation forceps, these are pincer type hand held electro-surgical instument to coagulate tissue during surgical procedures.

## II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Supply Chain Assessment / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Sales, Service and Quality / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Conversion Assistance / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Training and Education Value Add Programmes / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Fighting Climate Change / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Equal Opportunity / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 40

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

**Duration in months** 

36

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 for up to a total period of 48 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.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £2,500,000 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.

# 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

Applicants should refer to II.2 of this Contract Notice for further details in respect of appointment to the individual Lots across the Framework Agreement.

Applicants may bid for one, more than one or all of the Lots and Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for more information in respect of this.

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 expects to provide successful Suppliers with the opportunity to offer additional savings to customers through the provision of discounted pricing, value added offerings and commitment initiatives.

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

NHS Supply Chain intends to enter into arrangements under which it will be entitled to purchase supplies 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 (for the avoidance of doubt including local authorities) 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.

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 <a href="https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//">https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//</a> using the Message Centre facility linked to this particular contract notice.

Please note that the maximum number of suppliers as set out in IV.1.3 is an estimate only.

### III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

Parent company or other guarantees may be required in certain circumstances. Further details will be in the tender documents.

### III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to require groupings of entities to take a particular form, or to require one party to undertake primary legal liability or to require that each party undertakes joint and several liability.

## 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.

## **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: 37

### IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction will be used

Additional information about electronic auction

Although an electronic auction will not be used to award all or part of the requirements of the Framework Agreement the use of eAuctions may be an option as part of any contracts awarded under the Framework Agreement.

## 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: 2024/S 000-001161

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

Date

17 October 2024

Local time

3:00pm

### 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

Duration in months: 7 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date

18 October 2024

Local time

9:00am

## **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

Submission of expression of interest and procurement specific information:

This procurement exercise will be conducted on the NHS Supply Chain eTendering portal at <a href="https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//">https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//</a>

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 <a href="https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//">https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//</a> 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 <a href="https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//">https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//</a>.
- Click on ITTs Open to All Suppliers.
- Select from the following ITTs:

ITT\_1470 Electrosurgical Consumables and Related Accessories

ITT\_1471 - Lot 1 – Patient Plate Return Electrodes, Reusable Patient Return Capacitive Electrodes and Associated Accessories

ITT\_1472 - Lot 2 - Electrosurgical Pencils, Monopolar Electrode Attachments and Associated Products

ITT\_1473 - Lot 3 – Surgical Plume Extraction Products including Pencils, Monopolar and Bipolar Coagulation Forceps, Filters, Tips, Surgical Plume Evacuation Machines and Associated Products

ITT\_1474 - Lot 4 – Argon Plasma Coagulation (APC) Argon Hand Switch Pencil and associated APC tips/accessories/probes

ITT 1475 - Lot 5 - Monopolar Suction Coagulators, Coblation Wands and Disposable Cautery

#### **Pencils**

ITT\_1476 - Lot 6 - Forceps for electrosurgery including Monopolar coagulation and Bipolar coagulation forceps

Please note: you must respond to IT\_1470 In addition to any lots you intend to respond to.

- Click on Express Interest.
- If you intend to respond select Intend to Respond.

Applicants are encouraged to download the supplier handbook located within the eProcurement portal by following the 'Supplier Helpcentre' link within the Useful Links section of the Dashboard.

For any technical help with the portal please contact:

Tel: 0800 069 8630 or email: help\_uk@jaggaer.com

Please refer to Section III.1.1 for additional information.

## VI.4) Procedures for review

### VI.4.1) Review body

Not Applicable

Not Applicable

Country

**United Kingdom** 

### VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Appeals to be logged in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended)