

Salisbury Managed Procurement Services

C1546.233 – Further Competition on behalf of Health Education
England and Apprenticeship Trailblazer Group

ST0632 Prosthetic & Orthotic Technician Apprenticeship
ST0601 Prosthetist / Orthotist Degree Apprenticeship

(Option to design using pre-supplied content from Human Study e.V.)
To include EPA design grant (Degree Programme)



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Working with



Health Education England



Commercial Environment

Salisbury NHS FT's Commercial Services team are responsible for a number of the Trust's outward facing businesses, and provide procurement and commercial expertise to both the Trust and a number of collaborative organisations across the NHS. One of the original Carter Programme trusts, SFT are also national demonstrator site for Scan4Safety / GS1 implementation, and have experience in commercialising areas of the Trust's services to a wider market, as well as bringing innovations to market for the benefit of the NHS and wider public sector.

Nationally recognised, Salisbury's team have, in recent years, received awards from the Chartered Institute of Purchasing & Supply, have been named overall Public Sector Excellence winners by the Government Opportunities awards, and have been recognised in the 2017 World Procurement Awards.

Specialist expertise includes energy procurement, renewable energy generation systems, and the provision of managed services for education and apprenticeship training, payroll and pensions services, laundry services, and instrument decontamination services.

Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust are therefore a Contracting Authority within the meaning of the Public Contract Regulations 2015, and are able to make this DPS available to other public organisations listed in the relevant section of this document. Salisbury Commercial Services is a trading name of Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust for the delivery of this DPS and associated services.

This Requirement

Under Salisbury's existing Dynamic Purchasing System for Apprenticeship Training Provision, Salisbury are acting on behalf of Health Education England and the Apprenticeship Standard trailblazer group, in appointing a national provider for both the Technician and Degree Prosthetist / Orthotist apprenticeships. Whilst the final contracts will be between employer and provider, this procurement will be open to all public sector organisations as detailed in the eligibility criteria.

Further Competition Requirement Details	
Course Title	ST0632 Prosthetic / Orthotic Technician Apprenticeship ST0601 Prosthetist / Orthotist Degree Apprenticeship
Required Location(s)	National delivery in workplace or multiple regional locations / distance learning.
Number of Students	Degree – Approximately 30 annually nationwide, may increase
Standards / Framework Link	https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/prosthetic-and-orthotic-technician/ https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/prosthetist-orthotist-degree/
Please note – Providers must be able to deliver to both Levy paying, and non-Levy organisations	
Note : The successful provider will also be able to receive, subject to confirmation of conditions, a grant of up to £12,500 to facilitate the design and content for the End Point Assessment for the Degree programme.	

Requirement Description

Following on from the successful approval of both level 3 and level 6 apprenticeships in Prosthetics and Orthotics, it was decided that a national procurement process would facilitate employers to identify a suitable education provider to deliver the apprenticeship. The level 3 apprenticeship will train to Prosthetics and Orthotics Technician level and the level 6 Degree apprenticeship will enable successful graduates to register with the Health and Care Professions Council as a Prosthetist/Orthotist.

Prosthetics and Orthotics is a vital Allied Health Profession with a significant shortage in the UK and internationally. There is currently one university in England delivering the degree qualification as a full-time course. The apprenticeship trailblazer recognised the hurdles in starting a blended learning course without a background or experience in this sector. A potential solution to enable universities without a background in Prosthetics and Orthotics has been sourced and a unique offer to partner with Human Study (<http://human-study.org/>) an international provider of Prosthetics and Orthotics Education is being made available should universities want to enter into this market. Human Study deliver internationally approved and recognised Prosthetics and Orthotics programmes using a blended learning model. The offer from Human Study is to deliver 245 credits of the degree apprenticeship and this will cover the aspects of learning very specifically relating to Prosthetics and Orthotics. Human Study will also provide expertise in assessment of clinical competencies. The expectation of the successful University is to deliver 85 credits termed 'super modules' which relate to learning about commonalities across health care professions. In addition the successful university will lead in administration of the programme and supporting the learners as their own students. This is a unique opportunity to enter this area with opportunities for research, knowledge transfer agreements and further programs in the future.

Employers industry-wide are dedicated to the development and sustained delivery of the apprenticeship training routes. Prosthetic and Orthotic employers from the NHS and private companies are very keen to lead and in collaboration with Human Study a phased plan is available to support the development of UK based clinical expert trainers from industry. In addition to the Level 6 apprenticeship, a level 3 Prosthetic/Orthotic Technician apprenticeship has been approved and this will provide a designated supply chain of individuals into the profession creating a developed and rewarding career progression for individuals. We are looking for a HEI to deliver the apprenticeships either solely or through collaboration with a FEI.

The successful provider will need to be able to support the delivery of the learning at distance, using a blended educational model. Employers are willing to host any block release periods if necessary and can offer facilities such as clinical and manufacturing settings.

Prosthetics and Orthotics is a hugely exciting area of healthcare. Immerging technologies lend themselves well to product development to benefit patients. Demand for this care is increasing and therefore a significant increase in the number of professionals is needed to meet current and future demand. Widening participation and increasing the number of graduates in Prosthetics and Orthotics will further increase the supply chain for students wishing to complete higher levels of education at Masters and Doctoral level.

Timetable

Opportunity live on Bravo and advertised	Wednesday 10 th July 2019
Last date for Bidder Questions	Friday 26 th July 2019
ITT closes for Bidder Responses	Monday 5th August 2019
Award of Business	August / September 2019
Cohorts start	To be confirmed
Contract Period : Five Years subject to performance reviews annually.	

Information for Bidders

Please note the following conditions apply to this Competition :

1. Contracting Authority – The Contracting Authority will be the organisation(s) listed in the Requirements summary above, depending on the employing Trust for the Learner.
2. Responses and Questions – All responses, bids and questions must ONLY be submitted via the Bravo Procurement Portal operated by Salisbury NHSFT.
3. Terms & Conditions – The successful bidder(s) will be awarded contracts under standard NHS Terms & Conditions (copy available on Bravo). Bidders' own terms or conditions will not be accepted by the Contracting Authority.
4. Award of Business – All offers on this Procurement are made in good faith and reasonable expectation, however the Contracting Authority retains the right to change indicated student numbers. The Contracting Authority retains the right to make a reduced, or no, award following the outcome of the Competition.
5. Payment for Apprenticeship Training is from the Apprenticeship Digital Account to the Provider. Salisbury NHSFT shall not be liable for any financial sums or values under any circumstances, and the Contracting Authority shall only be liable for additional student fees if agreed and included in the Commercial Schedule of the final contract.
6. Eligibility – Only Suppliers registered and approved on Salisbury NHSFT's Dynamic Purchasing System (OJEU Reference 2017/S 045-083446) shall be eligible to compete in this Competition. Suppliers may apply to join that DPS during this competition, but no time extensions shall be granted to do so.
7. Supplier Fee – There is no fee to join, or participate in further Competitions under the DPS. By submitting a bid, suppliers agree to pay Salisbury NHSFT the sum of 1% (one percent) of the value of all business they are awarded following a Competition, excluding VAT. Please note this fee CANNOT be included in training course costs, and CANNOT be deducted from the training value paid from the student Digital Account. The full value of training given in the supplier's bid MUST be the value they deliver to the student. Supplier fees will be invoiced quarterly by Salisbury NHSFT following information provided by the Contracting Authority.
8. All bid responses and required information must be provided by the Close Date indicated on the Bravo portal.

DPS Scope

The Contracting Authority expressly reserved the right (i) not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice; and (ii) to make whatever changes it saw fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition; and in no circumstances will the

Contracting Authority be liable for any costs incurred by the candidates.

The awarding of a place on the Dynamic Purchasing System does not mean that there is any guarantee of subsequent contracts being awarded. Any expenditure, work or effort undertaken prior to contract award is accordingly a matter solely for the commercial judgement of potential suppliers. Any orders placed under this DPS will form a separate contract under the scope of this Framework between the supplier and the specific requesting other contracting body. The Contracting Authority and other contracting bodies utilising the DPS shall only use electronic portals during the life of the agreement.

Any values that have been provided are only an estimate. We cannot guarantee to suppliers any business through this framework agreement.

The DPS has been established by Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust, for use by the following bodies (and any future successors to these organisations):

The following Contracting Authorities are entitled to place Orders:

Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust and all bodies listed below :

Central Government Departments, Local Government and Public Corporations that can be accessed at the Public Sector Classification Guide:

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/economy/nationalaccounts/uksectoraccounts/datasets/publicsectorclassificationguide>

Please note Central Government departments may be subject to Government Digital Service approval before using the Framework Agreement.

Local Authorities (England and Wales)

<http://www.local.gov.uk/digital-councils/connect/a-z-councils-online>

www.ubico.co.uk

NDPBs

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations>

National Parks Authorities

<http://www.nationalparks.gov.uk/>

Educational Establishments in England and Wales, maintained by the Department for Children, Schools and Families including Schools, Universities and Colleges but not Independent Schools

<http://www.education.gov.uk/edubase/home.xhtml>

Police Forces in the United Kingdom

<https://www.police.uk/contact/force-websites/>

Police Forces and Special Police Forces in the United Kingdom, and/or Police and Crime Commissioners (as defined by the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011) and/or the Police Authorities (as defined in the Police Act 1964, Police Act 1996, Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005, Police

and Justice Act 2006, Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2006), and other relevant legislation for the constituent parts of the United Kingdom, for their respective rights and interests

Fire and Rescue Services in the United Kingdom

<http://www.fireservice.co.uk/information/ukfrs>

<http://www.nifrs.org/areas-districts/>

<http://www.firescotland.gov.uk/your-area.aspx>

NHS Bodies England

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/AcuteTrustListing.aspx>

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/CCGListing.aspx>

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/MentalHealthTrustListing.aspx>

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/CareTrustListing.aspx>

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/AreaTeamListing.aspx>

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/SpecialHealthAuthorityListing.aspx>

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/OtherListing.aspx>

Hospices in the UK

<https://www.hospiceuk.org/about-hospice-care/find-a-hospice?gclid=CPLU3cD7zdECFdaRGwodNeoDyw>

Registered Social Landlords (Housing Associations)

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/current-registered-providers-of-social-housing>

Third Sector and Charities in the United Kingdom

<http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk/find-charities/>

<http://www.oscr.org.uk/search-charity-register/>

<http://www.charitycommissionni.org.uk/charity-search/>

Citizens Advice in the United Kingdom

<http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/index/getadvice.htm>

www.cas.org.uk

<http://www.citizensadvice.co.uk/>

Scottish Public Bodies

The framework agreement will be available for use by any Scottish Public Sector Body: the Authority; Scottish Non-Departmental Public Bodies; offices in the Scottish Administration which are not ministerial offices; cross-border public authorities within the meaning of section 88(5) of the Scotland Act 1998; the Scotland Office; the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body; councils constituted under section 2 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 (except where they are acting in their capacity as educational authority); Scottish joint fire boards or joint fire and rescue boards; Scottish

joint police boards or any successor National Police or Fire Authority; Scottish National Park authorities, bodies registered as social landlords under the Housing (Scotland) Act 2001, Scottish health boards or special health boards, Student Loans Company Limited, Northern Lighthouse Board, further or higher education institutions being fundable bodies within the meaning of section 6 of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 2005 any public body established by or under the Scotland Act 1998 or any Act of the Scottish Parliament, any association of or formed by one or more of the foregoing, bodies financed wholly or mainly by one or more of the foregoing, bodies subject to management supervision by one or more of the foregoing and bodies more than half of the board of directors or members of which, or, in the case of a group of individuals, more than half of those individuals, being appointed by one or more of the foregoing.

Scottish Government

<http://www.gov.scot>

Scottish Parliament

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/abouttheparliament/27110.aspx>

Scottish Local Authorities

<http://www.gov.scot/About/Government/councils>

<http://www.scotland-excel.org.uk/home/Aboutus/Ourmembers/Associate-members.aspx>

Scottish Agencies, NDPBs

<http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Government/public-bodies/about/Bodies>

Scottish NHS Bodies

<http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Health/NHS-Workforce/NHS-Boards>

<http://www.show.scot.nhs.uk/organisations/>

Scottish Further and Higher Education Bodies

<http://www.universities-scotland.ac.uk/index.php?page=members>

<http://www.collegesscotland.ac.uk/member-colleges.html>

http://www.sfc.ac.uk/aboutus/council_funded_institutions/WhoWeFundColleges.aspx

Scottish Police

<http://www.scotland.police.uk/your-community/>

Scottish Housing Associations

http://www.sfha.co.uk/component/option,com_membersdir/Itemid,149/view,membersdir/

The Scotland Office

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/scotland-office>

Registered Social Landlords (Housing Associations) - Scotland

<http://directory.scottishhousingregulator.gov.uk/pages/default.aspx>

Scottish Primary Schools

<http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/parentzone/myschool/findaschool/index.asp>

Scottish Secondary Schools

<http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/parentzone/myschool/findaschool/index.asp>

Scottish Special Schools

<http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/parentzone/myschool/findaschool/index.asp>

Welsh Public Bodies

National Assembly for Wales, Welsh Assembly Government and Welsh Local Authorities, and all bodies covered by:

<http://www.assembly.wales/en/Pages/Home.aspx>

<http://gov.wales>

NHS Wales

<http://www.wales.nhs.uk/ourservices/directory>

Housing Associations – Registered Social Landlords Wales

<http://gov.wales/topics/housing-and-regeneration/publications/registered-social-landlords-in-wales/?lang=en>

Universities in Wales

<http://www.uniswales.ac.uk/universities/>

Colleges in Wales

<http://www.collegeswales.ac.uk/Find-a-College>

Schools in Wales (nursery, primary, middle, secondary, special, independent schools and pupil referral units)

<http://gov.wales/statistics-and-research/address-list-of-schools/?lang=en>

Northern Ireland Public Bodies

Northern Ireland Government Departments

<http://www.northernireland.gov.uk/gov.htm>

Northern Ireland Public Sector Bodies and Local Authorities

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/contacts/contacts-az/general-register-office-northern-ireland>

Schools in Northern Ireland

<http://apps.education-ni.gov.uk/appinstitutes/instmain.aspx>

Universities in Northern Ireland

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/universities-and-colleges-northern-ireland>

Health and Social care in Northern Ireland

<http://www.hscni.net/>

Northern Ireland Housing Associations

http://www.nihe.gov.uk/index/about/contact_us_home/your_nearest_office.htm

Police Service of Northern Ireland

<http://www.psni.police.uk/index.htm>

Any corporation established, or a group of individuals appointed to act together, for the specific purpose of meeting needs in the general interest, not having an industrial or commercial character, and (i) financed wholly or mainly by another contracting authority listed above in this section of this Framework Agreement;

(ii) subject to management supervision by another contracting authority listed above in this section of this Framework Agreement; or

(iii) more than half of the board of directors or members of which, or, in the case of a group of individuals, more than half of those individuals, are appointed by another contracting authority listed above in this section of this Framework Agreement

(iv) an association of or formed by one or more of the Contracting Authorities listed above in this section of this Framework Agreement

Entities which are not public sector bodies may also use the Framework Agreement if the Authority is satisfied that:

- such entity is calling-off goods and/or services directly, solely and exclusively in order to satisfy contractual obligations to one or more public sector bodies, all of which are entitled to use the Framework Agreement on their own account;
- all goods to be called-off by it are to be used directly, solely and exclusively to provide goods and/or services at sites occupied by such public sector body(ies); and
- it will pass the benefit of the call-off contract to such public sector body(ies) directly, in full and on a purely “pass-through” basis. Accordingly there must be no mark-up, management fee, service charge or any similar cost solely in relation to the supply of goods and/or services imposed on the relevant public sector body(ies), who must be able to benefit from the terms of the Framework Agreement in a like manner and to the same extent as if using the Framework Agreement on its/their own account.

Any ‘bodies governed by public law’ which under the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 means bodies that have all of the following characteristics

(a) they are established for the specific purpose of meeting needs in the general interest, not having an industrial or commercial character;

(b) they have legal personality; and

(c) they have any of the following characteristics:—

(i) they are financed, for the most part, by the State, regional or local authorities, or by other bodies governed by public law;

(ii) they are subject to management supervision by those authorities or bodies; or

(iii) they have an administrative, managerial or supervisory board, more than half of whose members are appointed by the State, regional or local authorities, or by other bodies governed by public law.

Awards of further business can only be made following a mini-competition managed through the DPS. Terms and Conditions of that contract will be agreed locally with an awarding authority operating within the DPS via mini competition.

This DPS is valid for four years, ending 12:00 on 01 March 2021. Employers may enter into contracts which extend beyond the lifetime of the DPS.

Terms & Conditions

The individual Employer organisations will be responsible for issuing their standard Terms & Conditions as part of the mini competition documentation.

Access Charges

There is no charge for Providers to register for inclusion on the DPS, to access information, or to bid for business via the DPS.

Each Provider, on a successful award of a contract, will be invoiced a DPS delivery charge by Salisbury Commercial Services. This will be based on a percentage of contract value, and will be clearly advertised with each opportunity.

For Suppliers – How to Participate

Suppliers can request to join (or withdraw from) a DPS at any time during the advertised lifetime of the DPS.

All DPS activity is carried out electronically, including further competition and messaging.

Salisbury NHSFT uses the Bravo NHS Portal for all procurement requirements, including DPS.

Suppliers wishing to join this DPS should register on the Portal https://nhs.bravosolution.co.uk/nhs_collaborative/web/login.html and locate relevant project reference. Suppliers will then be asked to complete the online PQQ and submit. Salisbury NHSFT will then evaluate the PQQ and advise within 10 working days after an initial period of 30 days (or advise the supplier where this will be extended).

Suppliers successfully placed on the DPS will then be advised of further competitions via the Bravo portal.

It is therefore **essential** that suppliers maintain their contact details within their Bravo profile at all times, as Salisbury Commercial Services will not be responsible for suppliers not receiving competition calls due to incorrect or outdated profile information.

Further Information

For further information, email Simon Dennis at simon.dennis@nhs.net or visit the Bravo procurement portal (https://nhs.bravosolution.co.uk/nhs_collaborative/web/login.html)