**NHS South, Central & West Commissioning Support Unit**

**School Aged Immunisations Programme in Devon for NHS England South West**

**Contracts Finder – Additonal Information**

**Additional text**

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| The overarching aim of the re-commissioning exercise is to secure high quality, responsive, flexible, safe and sustainable School Aged Immunisation services for Devon, from 1st August 2023.  The school aged immunisation programme within Devon includes (subject to change):  • Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccinations  • Diphtheria, Tetanus and Poliomyelitis (Td/IPV) booster  • Meningococcal ACWY (MenACWY) conjugate vaccine  • School-aged children’s Seasonal influenza (flu) vaccinations  • Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) catch up vaccinations.  In May 2022 a NICE guideline was published with the aim of supporting to increase *Vaccine uptake in the general population* [NG218]. Any new service must adhere to the recommendations.  The following services are out of scope:   * Children who are at school outside of Devon. * Travel vaccines * Any national programmes outside of the defined cohorts are not part of this procurement.   References made to standards and guidance throughout the specifications are in line with existing and current guidance; where standards and guidance are reviewed and updated during the life of the contract, School Aged Immunisation services must maintain compliance with any changes and as such the contract may be varied accordingly.  The services are healthcare services falling within Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ("the Regulations"), which are not subject to the full regime of the Regulations, but are instead governed by the "Light Touch Regime" contained within Chapter 3, Section 7 of the Regulations (Regulations 74 to 77).  The tendering process will be conducted in accordance with the requirements and flexibilities provided by Articles 74 to 76 of the Directive, and Regulations 74 to 76 of the Regulations. The Authority will run a transparent tender process, treating all Bidders equally. For the avoidance of doubt, the Authority will not be bound by the Regulations or the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union any other regulations or legislation except for the specific parts or circumstances that apply to the procurement of these Services.  Neither the inclusion of a Bidder selection stage, nor the use of any language or terms found in the Directive or Regulations, nor the description of the procedure voluntarily adopted by the Authority ("Open", "Restricted", "Competitive Procedure with Negotiation", "Competitive Dialogue" or any other description), nor any other indication, shall be taken to mean that the Authority intends to hold itself bound by the Directive or Regulations, save by the provisions applicable to services coming within the scope of Annex XIV of the Directive / Schedule 3 of the Regulations.  The Contracting Authority intends to voluntarily observe the award decision notices provisions and 10-day standstill period described in Regulation 86 of the Regulations. Unsuccessful Bidders will receive scores and reasons for the decision, including the characteristics and relative advantages of the winning bid and the reasons why the Bidder/application was unsuccessful.  This procurement is being carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioners. |