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**United Kingdom-London: Medical consumables  
2019/S 242-594108**

**Contract notice**

**Supplies**

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

**Section I: Contracting authority**

**I.1) Name and addresses**

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**Internet address(es):**

Main address: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health>

Address of the buyer profile: <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: <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

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Address of the buyer profile: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health/about/procurement>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>

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: <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>

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:**

Enteral Feeding, Bile Bags and Associated Products

II.1.2) **Main CPV code**

33140000

II.1.3) **Type of contract**

Supplies

II.1.4) **Short description:**

NHS Supply Chain seeks to establish a non-exclusive framework agreement for supply to NHS Supply Chain depots via the stock route and to the NHS Supply Chain customer base via the Blue Diamond and eDirect routes.

The framework agreement is for the supply of enteral feeding and products associated with drainage of gastrointestinal secretions.

It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the framework agreement the value of purchases will be circa 33 817 400 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure and include a forecast for growth.

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 69 638 818.00 GBP

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:**

Enteral Feeding Syringes and Accessories

Lot No: 1

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

33141310

33612000

33190000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

Main site or place of performance:

Various locations in the UK.

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

Syringes used in the process of enteral feeding to deliver nourishment and oral medication safely as well as aspiration (removal of gastric secretions). Reusable single patient use syringes are suitable for multiple usage of the same syringe on the same patient and single use syringes are for 1-time usage only.

Enteral feeding syringes and accessories lot includes, but not limited to:

- feeding syringes,
- enteral syringes,
- oral tip syringes,
- catheter (bladder) tip syringes,
- enteral feeding syringe accessories, including:
  - syringe caps;
  - adaptors;
  - bottle adaptors;
  - blunt fill filter needles;
  - blunt fill needles;
  - milk straws;
  - drawing up straws;
  - filter straws;
  - medicine straws;
  - rectal straws; and
  - colostrum collectors.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all applicants who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in these tender documents and whose total score meets or exceeds a hurdle of at least 35 % at tender evaluation stage to the relevant product line of the framework agreement.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Sales, service and quality / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Value added / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Supply chain assessment / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Financial / Weighting: 60

**II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 26 775 213.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 24

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:

This framework agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a period up to 48 months.

**II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues**

**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**

It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the framework agreement, the value of purchases for this lot will be in the region of 12 992 000 GBP and for the full 48-month term (if extended), the anticipated value is circa 26 775 213 GBP. These values are approximate only and are based on the most recent historical usage information, with a forecasted level of growth from year 1 to 4.

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Enteral Feeding Devices

Lot No: 2

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

33612000

44164310

33141600

33141610

33190000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

Main site or place of performance:

Various locations in the UK.

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

Enteral feeding devices are used to provide a means of patient feeding when oral intake is not adequate and can be used as a long term enteral nutrition solution.

The enteral feeding devices lot includes, but not limited to:

- button device low profile,
- enteral drainage bags,
- extension line/sets for low profile devices button,
- extension line/set for tubing/syringe drivers,
- gastrostomy feeding tubes — balloon retained,
- gastrostomy feeding tubes — non balloon retained,
- percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy (PEG) feeding tube,
- feeding tube gastrostomy direct puncture,
- feeding tube jejunostomy,
- surgical jejunostomy,
- jejunal extension for PEG tube,
- nasogastric feeding tube,
- nasogastric feeding and drainage tube,
- nasojejunal feeding tube,
- transgastric jejunal feeding tube,
- nasal anchoring system,
- pH reading device,
- tube placement indicator,
- enteral feeding device accessories,
- bolus feeding sets,
- button removal devices,

- cleaning brushes,
- decompression systems,
- dilator,
- gastric decompression systems,
- gastrostomy adaptors,
- gastrostomy replacement packs – Sterile pack containing the items required to change a balloon retained gastrostomy tube,
- gastrostomy or peg security — used to secure gastrostomy devices in place (either apparel or belts) from accidental or intentional dislodge of device,
- initial placement kits,
- introducers and introducer kits,
- PEG tube repair kits – used to repair damaged feed connections on PEG tubes,
- pH reading device sensors,
- procedure packs,
- replacement ends,
- right angle feeding sets used for bolus feeds, thick formula or blended diet,
- stoma measuring devices,
- stoma plugs,
- stopcocks,
- valve/venting bags, and
- Y extension sets for use with enteral pumps.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all applicants who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in these tender documents and whose total score meets or exceeds a hurdle of at least 35 % at tender evaluation stage to the relevant product line of the framework agreement.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Sales, service and quality / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Value added / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Supply chain assessment / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Financial / Weighting: 60

**II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 38 071 007.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 24

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:

This framework agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a period up to 48 months.

**II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues**

**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**

It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the framework agreement, the value of purchases for this lot will be in the region of 18 473 000 GBP and for the full 48-month term (if extended), the anticipated value is circa 38 071 007 GBP. These values are approximate only and are based on the most recent historical usage information, with a forecasted level of growth from year 1 to 4.

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Enteral Feeds, Drinks and Giving Sets

Lot No: 3

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

33692300

33692200

33692210

15880000

15882000

33190000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

Main site or place of performance:

Various locations in the UK.

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

Provides the nutrients required for a healthy balanced diet and are intended to supplement any shortfall between what the patient consumes and their individual nutritional requirement. Includes oral nutritional supplements, tube feeds and feed thickeners as well as the apparatus, giving sets, required to deliver the feeds to the patient's own feeding tube and/or pump.

The enteral feeds, drinks and giving sets lot include, but not limited to:

- dysphagia powders (gum or starch based),
- oral nutritional supplement (adult, paediatric or dysphagia),
- enteral tube feeds (adult or paediatric),
- giving sets,
- feeding pumps,
- giving set accessory, including but not limited to:
  - various sized containers;
  - adaptors/connectors.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all applicants who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in these tender documents and whose total score meets or exceeds a hurdle of at least 35 % at tender evaluation stage to the relevant product line of the framework agreement.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Sales, service and quality / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Value added / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Supply chain assessment / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Financial / Weighting: 60

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 3 681 594.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 24

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:

This framework agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a period up to 48 months.

**II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues**

**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**

It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the framework agreement, the value of purchases for this Lot will be in the region of 1 786 400 GBP and for the full 48-month term (if extended), the anticipated value is circa 3 681 594 GBP. These values are approximate only and are based on the most recent historical usage information, with a forecasted level of growth from year 1 to 4.

**II.2) Description**

**II.2.1) Title:**

Bile Bags, Ryles Tubes and Levin Tubes

Lot No: 4

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

33141600

33141610

33190000

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

Main site or place of performance:

Various locations in the UK.

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

Bile bags and associated tubing (Ryles/Levin) products used for biliary drainage.

The bile bags, ryles tubes and levin tubes lot include, but not limited to:

— levin tubes,

— ryles tubes,

— bile bags.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all applicants who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in these tender documents and whose total score meets or exceeds a hurdle of at least 35 % at tender evaluation stage to the relevant product line of the framework agreement.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Sales, service and quality / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Value added / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Supply chain assessment / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Financial / Weighting: 60

**II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 1 111 004.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 24

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:

This framework agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a period up to 48 months.

**II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues**

**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**

It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the framework agreement, the value of purchases for this lot will be in the region of 566 000 GBP and for the full 48-month term (if extended), the anticipated value is circa 1 111 004 GBP. These values are approximate only and are based on the most recent historical usage information, with a forecasted level of growth from year 1 to 4.

**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 each II.2.4) of this contract notice for further details in respect of appointment to the individual lots across the framework agreement. Applicants may bid for 1, more than 1 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.1.4), II.1.5) and each II.2.14), 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 <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/> 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.1.5) Information about reserved contracts**

**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.

**III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

**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: 15

**IV.1.4) Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue**

**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 in the OJ S: [2018/S 044-095509](#)

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

Date: 20/01/2020

Local time: 15:00

IV.2.3) **Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

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: 21/01/2020

Local time: 09:00

**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 <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>

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 <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/> 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 <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>,

— click on the 'Supplier Dashboard' icon to open the list of new procurement events.

Expression of interest.

— view contract notice content by clicking on the 'View Notice' button for the procurement event. This opens a PDF document,

— express an interest by clicking on the 'Express Interest' button,

- to start the response process after the expression of interest has been done, select the 'My Active Opportunities' option and click on the 'Apply' button,
- select the procurement event from the list by clicking on the description,
- in the detail view click on the orange coloured 'Framework Agreement' button to start responding to the tender.

Header level requirements:

- applicants are required to read all framework header documents which can be accessed using the 'NHS SC Header Documents' button, which is located in the 'Select Framework' tab,
- applicants are required to upload the documents requested using the 'Supplier Header Documents' button, which is located in the 'Select Framework' tab,
- applicants are required to complete all mandatory questions, which can be accessed using the 'Framework Questionnaire' tab.

Lot level requirements:

- A preview of the lot line details can be viewed using the 'Lot Header' tab, by selecting the Lot and using the 'Lot Line Information' button. In order to respond to a lot, applicants must select the relevant lot and then use the 'Express Intent' button. This expression of intent does not place any obligation on the applicant to respond, the action unlocks the ability to respond,
- complete price offers per line for the lot by completing the required fields for the lines the applicant wants to include in the bid using the 'Lot Line Detail' tab. There are a number of mandatory fields to complete on a product line basis; these are highlighted in yellow in the 'Lot Line Detail' tab,
- applicants are required to answer all mandatory lot specific questions found in the 'Lot Evaluation Criteria' tab,
- applicants are then required to click on the 'Terms and Conditions' button in the 'Submit Individual Lot Response(S)' tab to view and accept the ISS terms and conditions,
- accept the ISS 'Terms and Conditions' button to access this function,
- submit lot response, by clicking on the 'Submit Response to Selected Lot' button in the 'Submit Individual Lot Response(S)' tab to submit response for the lot. Each lot must be submitted independently,
- applicants are able to view their submission using the 'Supplier Submission Report' button, found in the 'Submit Individual Lot Response(S)' tab.

Please refer to Section III.1.1) for additional information.

VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**

Official name: Not applicable

Town: Not applicable

Country: United Kingdom

VI.4.2) **Body responsible for mediation procedures**

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).

VI.4.4) **Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

11/12/2019