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**United Kingdom-Normanton: Diagnostic devices
2017/S 115-231330**

Contract notice

Supplies

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.2) Joint procurement

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 the abovementioned address
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

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:

Point of Care 2017 V2
Reference number: FAG16574

II.1.2) Main CPV code

33124100

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 Direct and E-Direct Routes. This Framework Agreement is for the supply via the e-direct route of Blood Gas Analysis, HbA1c testing, Urinalysis, Drugs of Abuse, Cholesterol, Coagulation, Cardiac Markers, Multi Test Instruments, Diagnostic Rapid Test Kits, Single test analysers and Blood Glucose. Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will circa 14 100 500 GBP Directive 85/384/EEC in the 24 months 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. This Framework Agreement is for 24 months with the option to extend in incremental stages for up to a total period of 48 months

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 28 201 000.00 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:**

Point of Care Testing for Blood Gas Analysis
Lot No: 1

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

38434520
38434000
33124110
33696500
33696200

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

This Lot aims to offer Point of Care Testing for Blood Gas Analysis, this includes but is not limited to a range of blood gas analysers, devices and any relevant equipment, consumables, reagents and software packages which will enable blood gas analysis to be performed on blood samples.

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be circa 5 200 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure. NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all Applicants who have met the minimum requirements set out in the Invitation to Tender whose total score meets or exceeds the threshold of 25% to each Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may, therefore, be appointed to both Lines within this Lot and should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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: 10 400 000.00 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 further period of up to 24 months in addition to the initial 24 month period as set out in the Framework Agreement.

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**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Point of Care Testing for Coagulation

Lot No: 2

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

33124100

33124110

33124131

33696500

38434000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

This Lot aims to offer Point of Care testing for Coagulation, this includes but is not limited to, analysers, devices, any relevant accessories (such as barcode scanners), test panels, reagents, internal quality control material and software packages for measuring the effect of anti-coagulation by analysing a patient's whole blood or plasma.

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be circa 1 750 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all Applicants who have met the minimum requirements set out in the Invitation to Tender whose total score meets or exceeds the threshold of 25% to each Line within the Lot.

Applicants should note that they may, therefore, be appointed for a number of the Lines across this Lot and should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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: 3 500 000.00 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 is for 24 months with the option to extend in incremental stages for up to a total period of 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**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Point of Care Testing for Urinalysis

Lot No: 3

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

33124100

33124131

33124130

38434000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

This Lot aims to offer Point of Care testing for Urinalysis, this includes but is not limited to, analysers, devices and any relevant accessories (such as barcode scanners and platforms), test strips, reagents and software packages that will enable the determination of changes in urine based on a patients urine sample.

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be circa 850 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all Applicants who have met the minimum requirements set out in the Invitation to Tender whose total score meets or exceeds the threshold of 25% to each Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may, therefore, be appointed for a number of the Lines across this Lot and should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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: 1 700 000.00 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 is for 24 months with the option to extend in incremental stages for up to a total period of 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**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Point of Care Testing for Non Analyser/Non Reader visually read only Urinalysis test strips (not used with Analyser/Reader)

Lot No: 4

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

38434000

33124131

33124130

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

This Lot aim to offer Point of Care Testing for non analyser/non reader visually read only Urinalysis test strips, this includes but not limited to strips, reagents, colour charts that will enable the determination of changes in urine based on a patient's urine samples.

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be circa 600 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing the top scoring 5 Applicants who have met the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender to each Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may, therefore, be appointed for one or a number of the Lines across this Lot and should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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: 1 200 000.00 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 is for 24 months with the option to extend in incremental stages for up to a total period of 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**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Point of Care Multi Test Analysers/Instruments

Lot No: 5

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

33124100

33124110

33124131

33696500

38434000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

This Lot aims to offer Point of Care Multi Test Analysers/Instruments including but not limited to analysers, devices and any relevant equipment, consumables, reagents and software packages (and any other associated testing to be performed on whole blood, serum, plasma or urine and other samples for a range of testing areas). This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be circa 400 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure. NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all Applicants who have met the minimum requirements set out in the Invitation to Tender whose total score meets or exceeds the threshold of 25% to each Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may, therefore, be appointed for one or a number of the Lines across this Lot and should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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: 800 000.00 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 is for 24 months with the option to extend in incremental stages for up to a total period of 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**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Point of Care Testing for Cardiac Markers

Lot No: 6

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

33124100

33124110

33124131

33696500

38434000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

This Lot aims to offer Point of Care testing for Cardiac Markers, this includes but is not limited to, analysers, devices and any relevant accessories (such as barcode scanners), test panels, reagents and software packages that will enable the diagnosis of acute coronary symptoms by analysing a patients blood or plasma. This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be circa 350 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure. NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all Applicants who have met the minimum requirements set out in the Invitation to Tender whose total score meets or exceeds the threshold of 25% to each Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may, therefore, be appointed for a number of the Lines across this Lot and should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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: 700 000.00 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 is for 24 months with the option to extend in incremental stages for up to a total period of 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**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Point of Care Testing for HbA1c Testing Glycated Haemoglobin (and other Associated Testing for Diabetes Management)

Lot No: 7

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

33124000

33124100

33124110

33124131

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

This Lot aims to offer Point of Care Testing for HbA1c Testing, this includes is not limited to, analysers, devices and any relevant accessories, consumables and reagents that will enable the measurement of haemoglobin fraction HbA1c on blood samples, and any other associated testing to be performed on blood and other samples for diabetes management.

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be circa 750 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all Applicants who have met the minimum requirements set out in the Invitation to Tender whose total score meets or exceeds the threshold of 25% to each Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may, therefore, be appointed for a number of the Lines across this Lot and should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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: 1 500 000.00 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 is for 24 months with the option to extend in incremental stages for up to a total period of 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**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Point of Care Testing for Cholesterol
Lot No: 8

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

33124100
33124110
33696500
38434000
33124131

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

This Lot aims to offer Point of Care testing for Cholesterol, this includes but is not limited to, analysers, devices and relevant accessories (such as barcode scanners), test panels, reagents and software packages that will screen for the risk of developing heart disease by analysing a patients whole blood or plasma.
This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be circa 500 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.
NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all Applicants who have met the minimum requirements set out in the Invitation to Tender whose total score meets or exceeds the threshold of 25% to each Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may, therefore, be appointed for a number of the Lines across this Lot and should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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: 1 000 000.00 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 is for 24 months with the option to extend in incremental stages for up to a total period of 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**

II.2) **Description**

- II.2.1) **Title:**
Point of Care Testing for Blood Glucose Connectivity
Lot No: 9
- II.2.2) **Additional CPV code(s)**
33124100
33124110
33696500
38434000
33124131
- II.2.3) **Place of performance**
NUTS code: UK
- II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**
This Lot aims to offer Point of Care Testing for Blood Glucose Connectivity, this includes but is not limited to, a range of blood glucose and ketone testing meters/instruments and any relevant accessories, consumables, strips and software packages that will enable blood glucose and ketone analysis to be performed on whole blood samples in general wards and departments, in a primary and community setting.
This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be circa 1 000 500 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure. NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all Applicants who have met the minimum requirements set out in the Invitation to Tender whose total score meets or exceeds the threshold of 25% to each Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may, therefore, be appointed for one or a number of the Lines across this Lot and should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.
- 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: 2 001 000.00 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 is for 24 months with the option to extend in incremental stages for up to a total period of 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**
- II.2) **Description**
- II.2.1) **Title:**

Point of Care Testing for Blood Glucose Non Connectivity

Lot No: 10

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

33124100

33124110

33696500

38434000

33124131

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be circa 900 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing all Applicants who have met the minimum requirements set out in the Invitation to Tender whose total score meets or exceeds the threshold of 25% to each Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may, therefore, be appointed for one or a number of the Lines across this Lot and should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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: 1 800 000.00 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 is for 24 months with the option to extend in incremental stages for up to a total period of 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**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Point of Care Testing for Drugs of Abuse

Lot No: 11

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

33124100

33124110

33696500
33141625
38434000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

This Lot aims to offer Point of Care testing for Drugs of Abuse, this includes but is not limited to, analysers, breath analysers and any relevant accessories (such as barcode scanners), test strips, reagents and software packages that will enable determination of drugs and alcohol in an individuals urine sample (and other associated samples such as saliva and hair).

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be circa 900 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing the top scoring 5 Applicants who have met the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender to each Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may, therefore, be appointed for one or a number of the Lines across this Lot and should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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: 1 800 000.00 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 is for 24 months with the option to extend in incremental stages for up to a total period of 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**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Point of Care Rapid Test Kits

Lot No: 12

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

33124131

33141625

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

This Lot aims to offer Point of Care Rapid Test Kits which are suitable for the use by trained health Care professionals at the Point of Care in front of patients. Samples may include, but are not limited to, blood, serum, urine or through a swab.

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 24 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be circa 900 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the total estimated value are based on that initial expenditure.

NHS Supply Chain anticipates appointing the top scoring 5 Applicants who have met the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender to each Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may, therefore, be appointed for one or a number of the Lines across this Lot and should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

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: 1 800 000.00 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 is for 24 months with the option to extend in incremental stages for up to a total period of 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

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:

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

Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for details of the scoring process to be used to assess the Suppliers to be appointed to the Framework Agreement. NHS Supply Chain reserves the right to appoint more suppliers to the Framework Agreement in the event that more than 60 reach the minimum score for appointment which is set out in the Invitation to Tender.

Applicants should refer to each 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 bulk buy 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 the supplies and/or services identified in the tender documents as Non-Direct Contract Products which it will then 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 estimates indicated at II.1.4 and II.1.5 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 e Tendering portal at <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/> using the Message Centre facility linked to this particular contract notice.

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

III.1.3) **Technical and professional ability**

III.1.5) **Information about reserved contracts**

III.2) **Conditions related to the contract**

III.2.2) **Contract performance conditions:**

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.

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.

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

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: 60

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

IV.1.6) **Information about electronic auction**

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: [2017/S 046-085081](#)

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

Date: 17/07/2017

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: 24 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date: 18/07/2017

Local time: 09:00

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure:

Only the NHS Supply Chain contract owner or delegate.

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.

Tender Response

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.

The 'Framework questionnaire' tab has no requirement for completion in this tender.

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.
- The 'Lot questionnaire' tab has now requirement for completion in this tender.
- 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**

Not applicable
Not applicable
United Kingdom

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

Not applicable
Not applicable
United Kingdom

VI.4.3) **Review procedure**

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

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**
15/06/2017