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**United Kingdom-Normanton: Protective socks or hosiery  
2016/S 164-295854**

**Contract notice**

**Supplies**

Directive 2004/18/EC

**Section I: Contracting authority**

**I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s)**

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**Internet address(es):**

General address of the contracting authority: [www.supplychain.nhs.uk](http://www.supplychain.nhs.uk)

**Further information can be obtained from:**

NHS Supply Chain acting as agent for NHS Business Services Authority  
Internet address: <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>

**Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:**

NHS Supply Chain acting as agent for NHS Business Services Authority  
Internet address: <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>

**Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to:**

NHS Supply Chain acting as agent for NHS Business Services Authority  
Internet address: <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/>

**I.2) Type of the contracting authority**

National or federal agency/office

**I.3) Main activity**

Health

**I.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities**

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: yes

**Section II: Object of the contract**

**II.1) Description**

**II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:**

'Vascular Therapy and Associated Products'.

**II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance**

Supplies

Purchase

Main site or location of works, place of delivery or of performance: Various locations in UK.

NUTS code UK,UKE4

**II.1.3) Information about a public contract, a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system (DPS)**

The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement

**II.1.4) Information on framework agreement**

Framework agreement with several operators

maximum number of participants to the framework agreement envisaged: 35

**Duration of the framework agreement**

Duration in months: 12

**Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement**

Estimated value excluding VAT: 61 474 130 GBP

**II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s)**

This Framework Agreement is for 12 months with the option to extend in incremental stages for up to a total period of 48 months.

**II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

35113460, 18315000, 18300000, 18317000, 33140000, 42122410, 33158200, 33190000, 33100000

**II.1.7) Information about Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The contract is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): yes

**II.1.8) Lots**

This contract is divided into lots: yes

Tenders may be submitted for one or more lots

**II.1.9) Information about variants**

**II.2) Quantity or scope of the contract**

**II.2.1) Total quantity or scope:**

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 12 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases will be in the region of 14 500 030 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the full the full 48 months (if extended) are based on that initial expenditure and include a forecast for growth.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 61 474 130 GBP

**II.2.2) Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of these options: This Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a further period of up to 36 months in addition to the initial 12 month period as set out in the Framework Agreement.

**II.2.3) Information about renewals**

**II.3) Duration of the contract or time limit for completion**

Duration in months: 12 (from the award of the contract)

**Information about lots**

Lot No: 1

Lot title: Anti-Embolism stockings

**1) Short description**

This Lot is for Anti-embolism stockings in knee, thigh and full length both with and without non-slip soles.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

18315000, 35113460, 18300000, 18317000, 33140000

3) **Quantity or scope**

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 12 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be in the region of 7 975 020 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the full 48 months (if extended) are based on that initial expenditure.

Award will be made on a Line by Line basis and all Suppliers who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender and who reach a score of 40 % or over will be awarded to that Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may therefore be awarded 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.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 33 811 315 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

NUTS Code: UK.

Lot No: 2

Lot title: Intermittent Pneumatic Compression (IPC) Therapy Garments

1) **Short description**

This Lot is for Intermittent Pneumatic Compression (IPC) garments in knee and thigh length and IPC foot garments.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

18300000, 33140000

3) **Quantity or scope**

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 12 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be in the region of £5 075 010 however this is approximate only. The figures below for the full 48 months (if extended) are based on that initial expenditure.

Award will be made on a Line by Line basis and all Suppliers who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender and who reach a score of 40 % or over will be awarded to that Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may therefore be awarded 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.

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Estimated value excluding VAT: 21 516 295 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

NUTS Code: UK.

Lot No: 3

Lot title: Graduated Compression (Elastic) Hosiery

1) **Short description**

This Lot is for graduated compression hosiery (in knee and thigh length).

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

18315000, 35113460, 18300000, 18317000, 33140000

3) **Quantity or scope**

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 12 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be in the region of 203 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the 48 months (if extended) are based on that initial expenditure.

All Applicants who reach a score of 40 % or more and who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender will be appointed to this Lot of the Framework Agreement. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

Following confirmation of acceptance onto the Framework Agreement this Lot will be subject to a price only eAuction for sole supply of all the products lines within this Lot (together with any additional lines awarded in respect of the Lot) to NHS Supply Chain for the first 12 months of the Framework Agreement. Further eAuction(s) will be conducted for sole supply of all the product lines within this Lot (together with any additional lines awarded in respect of the Lot) to NHS Supply Chain for any subsequent period(s) of the Framework Agreement.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 860 300 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

NUTS Code: UK.

Lot No: 4

Lot title: Lymphedema Garments — Lower Limb

1) **Short description**

This Lot is for Lymphedema Garments — Lower Limb.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

18315000, 35113460, 18300000, 18317000, 33140000

3) **Quantity or scope**

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 12 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be in the region of 174 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the full 48 months (if extended) are based on that initial expenditure.

All Applicants who reach a score of 40 % or more and who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender will be appointed to this Lot of the Framework Agreement. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

Following confirmation of acceptance onto the Framework Agreement this Lot will be subject to a price only eAuction for sole supply of all the products lines within this Lot (together with any additional lines awarded in respect of the Lot) to NHS Supply Chain for the first 12 months of the Framework Agreement. Further eAuction(s) will be conducted for sole supply of all the product lines within this Lot (together with any additional lines awarded in respect of the Lot) to NHS Supply Chain for any subsequent period(s) of the Framework Agreement.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 737 400 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

NUTS Code: UK.

Lot No: 5

Lot title: Leg Ulcer Kits

1) **Short description**

This lot is for leg ulcer kits and leg ulcer liners.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

18315000, 35113460, 18300000, 18317000, 33140000

3) **Quantity or scope**

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 12 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be in the region of 174 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the full 48 months (if extended) are based on that initial expenditure.

All Applicants who reach a score of 40 % or more and who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender will be appointed to this Lot of the Framework Agreement. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

Following confirmation of acceptance onto the Framework Agreement this Lot will be subject to a price only eAuction for sole supply of all the products lines within this Lot (together with any additional lines awarded in respect of the Lot) to NHS Supply Chain for the first 12 months of the Framework Agreement. Further eAuction(s) will be conducted for sole supply of all the product lines within this Lot (together with any additional lines awarded in respect of the Lot) to NHS Supply Chain for any subsequent period(s) of the Framework Agreement.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 737 400 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

'NUTS Code: UK

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Lot No: 6

Lot title: Lymphedema Garments — Upper Limb

1) **Short description**

This Lot is for Lymphedema Garments — Upper Limb.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

18315000, 35113460, 18300000, 18317000, 33140000

3) **Quantity or scope**

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All Applicants who reach a score of 40 % or more and who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender will be appointed to this Lot of the Framework Agreement. Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for further information in respect of this.

Following confirmation of acceptance onto the Framework Agreement this Lot will be subject to a price only eAuction for sole supply of all the products lines within this Lot (together with any additional lines awarded in respect of the Lot) to NHS Supply Chain for the first 12 months of the Framework Agreement. Further eAuction(s) will be conducted for sole supply of all the product lines within this Lot (together with any additional lines awarded in respect of the Lot) to NHS Supply Chain for any subsequent period(s) of the Framework Agreement.'

Estimated value excluding VAT: 122 900 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**  
NUTS Code: UK.

Lot No: 7

Lot title: Alternative Products for DVT Prevention and treatment of venous disease

1) **Short description**

This Lot is for DVT prevention devices which use therapeutic methods other than compression stockings or IPC therapy products, and therapeutic devices for the treatment of venous disease and leg ulcers other than graduated compression garments. Products within this Lot include, but shall not be limited to; — Electro stimulation devices; — Footwear which flex the calves; and — Products that use vibration technology.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

33140000, 33158200, 33190000, 33100000

3) **Quantity or scope**

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 12 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be in the region of 435 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the full 48 months (if extended) are based on that initial expenditure.

Award will be made on a Line by Line basis and all Suppliers who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender and who reach a score of 40 % or over will be awarded that Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may therefore be awarded 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.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 1 844 260 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

NUTS Code: UK.

Lot No: 8

Lot title: Applicators, tape measures and other accessories

1) **Short description**

This Lot is for Vascular therapy accessories including, but not limited to; — Hosiery Applicators; — Anti-embolism tape measures; — Tubing to connect IPC garments to units; and — IPC Pumps.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

33140000, 42122410

3) **Quantity or scope**

This is an estimate only as precise quantities of likely purchases are unknown. It is anticipated that in the first 12 months of the Framework Agreement the value of purchases for this Lot will be in the region of 435 000 GBP however this is approximate only. The figures below for the full 48 months (if extended) are based on that initial expenditure.

Award will be made on a Line by Line basis and all Suppliers who meet the minimum requirements which are set out in the Invitation to Tender and who reach a score of 40 % or over will be awarded to that Line within the Lot. Applicants should note that they may therefore be awarded 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.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 1 844 260 GBP

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

NUTS Code: UK.

**Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

**III.1) Conditions relating to the contract**

**III.1.1) Deposits and guarantees required:**

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

**III.1.2) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them:**

Please see tender documents.

**III.1.3) Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded:**

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.1.4) Other particular conditions**

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: yes

Description of particular 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) Conditions for participation**

**III.2.1) Personal situation of economic operators, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: 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.

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 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.

III.2.2) **Economic and financial ability**

III.2.3) **Technical capacity**

III.2.4) **Information about reserved contracts**

III.3) **Conditions specific to services contracts**

III.3.1) **Information about a particular profession**

III.3.2) **Staff responsible for the execution of the service**

**Section IV: Procedure**

IV.1) **Type of procedure**

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Open

IV.1.2) **Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate**

IV.1.3) **Reduction of the number of operators during the negotiation or dialogue**

IV.2) **Award criteria**

IV.2.1) **Award criteria**

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document

IV.2.2) **Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction will be used: yes



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 will be an option as part of any contracts awarded under the Framework Agreement. Please see the Invitation to Tender for further details regarding the reopening of competition.

**IV.3) Administrative information**

**IV.3.1) File reference number attributed by the contracting authority:**

**IV.3.2) Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract**

**Prior information notice**

Notice number in the OJEU: [2015/S 249-453944](#) of 24.12.2015

**IV.3.3) Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document**

**IV.3.4) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

26.9.2016 - 15:00

**IV.3.5) Date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

**IV.3.6) Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up**

English.

**IV.3.7) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

in days: 210 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

**IV.3.8) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date: 27.9.2016 - 9:00

Place:

As in abovementioned I.1

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: yes

Additional 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**

**VI.2) Information about European Union funds**

**VI.3) Additional information**

Please note that the maximum number of suppliers as set out in II.1.4 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 35 reach the minimum score for appointment which is set out in the Invitation to Tender.

Applicants should refer to Annex B 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 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 in 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.

VI.4) **Procedures for appeal**

VI.4.1) **Body responsible for appeal procedures**

Not applicable

**Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Not applicable

VI.4.2) **Lodging of appeals**

Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals: Appeals to be lodged in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended).

VI.4.3) **Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained**

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

24.8.2016