

**Contract notice**

<b>Section I: Contracting authority</b>	
<b>I.1) Name and addresses (please identify all contracting authorities responsible for the procedure)</b>	
Official name:	NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit on behalf of NHS England
National registration number:	
Postal address:	Cardinal Square, 2nd Floor North, 10 Nottingham Road
Town:	Derby
NUTS code:	UKF22
Postal code:	DE1 3QT
Country:	United Kingdom
Contact person:	
Telephone: e.g. +44 12345678; +44 12345678-0001; +44 12345678/79/80; +44 12345678/+44 987654321:	
E-mail:	Neli.Garbuzanova@ardengemcsu.nhs.uk
Fax:	
<b>Internet address(es)</b>	
Main address: (URL)	<a href="https://www.ardengemcsu.nhs.uk/">https://www.ardengemcsu.nhs.uk/</a>
Address of the buyer profile: (URL)	<a href="https://ardengemcsu.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html">https://ardengemcsu.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html</a>
Name and addresses: (please repeat as many times as needed)	1
<b>another address</b>	
Official name:	NHS England
National registration number:	
Postal address:	
Town:	PO Box 16738
NUTS code:	UK
Postal code:	
Country:	United Kingdom
Contact person:	
Telephone: e.g. +44 12345678; +44 12345678-0001; +44 12345678/79/80; +44 12345678/+44 987654321:	
E-mail:	england.contactus@nhs.net
Fax:	
<b>Internet address(es)</b>	
Main address: (URL)	<a href="https://www.england.nhs.uk/">https://www.england.nhs.uk/</a>
Address of the buyer profile: (URL)	
<b>I.2) Joint procurement</b>	
The contract involves joint procurement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
In the case of joint procurement involving different countries, state applicable national procurement law:	The contract does not involve joint procurement
The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body	
<b>I.3) Communication</b>	
(URL)	The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at <a href="https://ardengemcsu.bravosolution.co.uk">https://ardengemcsu.bravosolution.co.uk</a>
Additional information can be obtained from:	the abovementioned address
Official name:	
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E-mail:	
Fax:	
Internet address(es)	
Main address: (URL)	
Address of the buyer profile: (URL)	
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: yes	
(URL)	<a href="https://ardengemcsu.bravosolution.co.uk">https://ardengemcsu.bravosolution.co.uk</a>
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted:	to the abovementioned address
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E-mail:	
Fax:	
Internet address(es)	
Main address: (URL)	
Address of the buyer profile: (URL)	

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: (URL)	
I.4) Type of the contracting authority:	Body governed by public law
Other type:	
I.5) Main activity:	Health
Other activity:	
<b>Section II: Object</b>	
<b>II.1) Scope of the procurement</b>	
II.1.1) Title:	Assessment and Complex Disability Equipment: Environmental Controls Aids (All Ages)
Reference number:	
II.1.2) Main CPV code:	85000000
II.1.3) Type of contract:	Services
II.1.4) Short description:	<p>NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands CSU (AGCSU) on behalf of NHS England – Midlands and East, Specialised Commissioning is inviting suitably qualified and experienced providers to deliver Assessment and Complex Disability Equipment: Environmental Controls Aids (All Ages) under Any Qualified Provider (AQP) framework.</p> <p>The key objectives of the AQP process are to commission the Service(s) to serve the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.</p> <p>As a result of this AQP process exercise an agreement will be established with the successful Applicant(s) for a period of 3 (three) years [with the Commissioner having the option to extend the Contract for up to a further 2 (two) years].</p> <p>If you wish to submit an application please register on <a href="https://ardengemcsu.bravosolution.co.uk">https://ardengemcsu.bravosolution.co.uk</a>. The AQP reference numbers are: itt_901.</p>
<b>II.1.5) Estimated total value</b>	
Value excluding VAT: (for framework agreements or dynamic purchasing systems – estimated total maximum value for the entire duration of the framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system)	
Currency:	
<b>II.1.6) Information about lots</b>	
This contract is divided into lots:	no
Tenders may be submitted for:	
maximum number of lots:	
Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer:	
The contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts combining the following lots or groups of lots:	
<b>II.2) Description</b>	
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II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)	
<b>II.2.3) Place of performance</b>	
NUTS code:	UKF21, UKF22
Main site or place of performance:	Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland area.

<p>II.2.4) Description of the procurement: (nature and quantity of works, supplies or services or indication of needs and requirements)</p>	<p>Scope of services</p> <p>The Service(s) will be required to meet the following objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Undertake assessment of individual patient's EC needs by professionals with relevant competencies, working with, or alongside the service. This should include recommendations on equipment solutions and referral to other agencies as appropriate.</li> <li>• Maintain access to a loan bank of appropriate EC equipment for assessment, trial and long term loan to patients.</li> <li>• Provide equipment to meet individual patient's independence goals.</li> <li>• Support patient's use of EC equipment by regularly reviewing them and their equipment requirements so as to meet changing needs and enable them to maintain a degree of independence.</li> <li>• Ensure all equipment provided is maintained in a satisfactory state and checked in accordance with manufacturers' recommendations.</li> <li>• Health and social care professionals working in areas where service uptake is low are targeted and encouraged to refer those who could benefit from equitable equipment provision.</li> </ul> <p>Service description/care pathway:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The service will deliver environmental control and other related equipment as the specialist hub serving a catchment population typically in excess of two million people</li> </ul> <p>How the service is organised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The specialist centres providing ECS: conduct assessment of the individual's needs, usually in their place of residence; prescribe equipment solutions to meet these needs; and undertake or oversee their installation. A stock of relevant equipment is available to demonstrate ECS and computer access to patients and carers and, if needed, a trial can be arranged.</li> <li>• The services are also responsible for: on-going support of the equipment, including initial tuition; clinical review with additions and modifications to suit changing needs; equipment maintenance; and service support, including emergencies.</li> </ul> <p>What local authorities commission: Local authorities commission non-specialist environmental controls. Please refer to the Service Specification as listed in Schedule 2 of the NHS Standard Contract and Document 3 for reference</p> <p>Premised Expectations The provider will demonstrate to the service user equipment in their chosen environment. The service will be delivered to service users within the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland area.</p> <p>Estimated Contract Value It is important to note the contract does not guarantee any volume of activity or payment to a provider.</p>						
<p>II.2.5) Award criteria:</p>	<p>Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents</p>						
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<p>Value excluding VAT: (for framework agreements or dynamic purchasing systems - estimated total maximum value for the entire duration of this lot)</p>							
<p>Currency:</p>							
<p>II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system:</p>	<p>Start / End</p>						
<p>Duration in months or Duration in days:</p>							
<p>Start: (dd/mm/yyyy) /</p>	<p>01/07/2018</p>						
<p>End: (dd/mm/yyyy)</p>	<p>30/06/2021</p>						
<p>End: (dd/mm/yyyy)</p>							
<p>This contract is subject to renewal</p>	<p>yes</p>						
<p>Description of renewals:</p>	<p>An option to extend the Contract for up to a further 2 (two) years], unless terminated earlier in accordance with the terms of the Contract, and will be subject to an annual review period where the specification may be revised.</p>						

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited (except in open procedures):	
Envisaged number of candidates:	
Envisaged minimum number:	
Maximum number:	
Maximum number:	
Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:	
II.2.10) Information about variants	
Variants will be accepted	no
II.2.11) Information about options	
Options	no
Description of options:	
II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues	
Tenders must be presented in the form of electronic catalogues or include an electronic catalogue	
II.2.13) Information about European Union funds	
The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:	no
Identification of the project:	
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:	The Contracting Authority reserves the right to require groupings of contractors to take a particular legal form or to require one party to undertake primary legal liability or to require that each party undertakes joint and several liability.
III.1.2) Economic and financial standing	
Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents	
List and brief description of selection criteria:	Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents. Parent company or other guarantee bonds, deposits, insurance or other forms of security may be required in certain circumstances.
Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:	
III.1.3) Technical and professional ability	
Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents	x
List and brief description of selection criteria:	
Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:	
III.1.5) Information about reserved contracts	

The contract is reserved to sheltered workshops and economic operators aiming at the social and professional integration of disabled or disadvantaged persons	
The execution of the contract is restricted to the framework of sheltered employment programmes	
III.2) Conditions related to the contract	
III.2.1) Information about a particular profession (only for service contracts)	
Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession	
Reference to the relevant law, regulation or administrative provision:	
III.2.2) Contract performance conditions:	
III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract	
Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract	
Section IV: Procedure	
IV.1) Description	
IV.1.1) Type of procedure:	Open procedure
Accelerated procedure	
Justification:	
Accelerated procedure	
Justification:	
Accelerated procedure	
Justification:	
IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system	
The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement:	
Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement:	
In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:	
The procurement involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system	
The dynamic purchasing system might be used by additional purchasers	
IV.1.4) Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue	

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated	
IV.1.5) Information about negotiation (only for competitive procedures with negotiation)	
The contracting authority reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the initial tenders without conducting negotiations	
IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction	
An electronic auction will be used	
Additional information about electronic auction:	
IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)	
The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement:	no
IV.2) Administrative information	
IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure (One of the following: Prior information notice; Notice on a buyer profile)	
Notice number in the OJ S:	
IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate	
Date: (dd/mm/yyyy)	22/01/2018
Local time: (hh:mm)	17:00
IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates	
Date: (dd/mm/yyyy)	
IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted:	EN
IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender	
Tender must be valid until: (dd/mm/yyyy)	
or Duration in months	
(from the date stated for receipt of tender):	
IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders	
Date: (dd/mm/yyyy)	22/01/2018
Local time: (hh:mm)	17:00
Place:	
Information about authorised persons and opening procedure:	
Section VI: Complementary information	
VI.1) Information about recurrence	
This is a recurrent procurement:	yes
Estimated timing for further notices to be published	
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:	<p>NHS Arden and GEM CSU is managing this Procurement in accordance with the Light Touch regime of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (the "Regulations"). Neither the publication of this notice nor the employment of any particular terminology nor any other indication shall be taken to mean that the contracting authorities intend to hold themselves bound by any of the Regulations save those applicable to the procurement of Light Touch regime services.</p> <p>The Contracting Authority will be using an eTendering system in this procurement exercise.  Suppliers Instructions: How to Apply:  1. Register your company on the eSourcing portal (this is only required once).  Browse to the eSourcing Portal: <a href="https://ardengemcsu.bravosolution.co.uk">https://ardengemcsu.bravosolution.co.uk</a> and click the link to register — Accept the terms and conditions and click 'continue' — Enter your correct business and user details.  — Note the user-name you chose and click 'Save' when complete.  — You will shortly receive an e-mail with your unique password (please keep this secure).  2. Submit an application  — Login to the portal with the username/password.  — Click the 'ITTs Open To All Suppliers' link. (This is AQP process using the ITT functionality of Bravo and is open to any registered supplier).  — Click on the relevant ITT_901 to access the content.  — Click the 'Express Interest' button at the top of the page.  — This will move the ITT into your 'My ITTs' page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only)  — You can now access any attachments by clicking 'Buyer Attachments' in the 'ITT Details' box.  3. Responding to the tender  — Click 'My Response' under 'ITT Details', you can choose to 'Create Response' or to 'Decline to Respond' (please give a reason if declining).  — You can now use the 'Messages' function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification.  — Note the deadline for completion, then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the ITT.  — There may be a mixture of on-line and off-line actions for you to perform (there is detailed on-line help available).  You must then submit your reply using the 'Submit Response' button at the top of the page. If you require any further assistance please consult the on-line help, or contact the eTendering help-desk.</p>
<b>VI.4) Procedures for review</b>	
<b>VI.4.1) Review body</b>	
Official name:	NHS Arden and GEM Commissioning Support Unit
Postal address:	Cardinal Square, 10 Nottingham Road
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Postal code:	DE1 3QT
Country:	United Kingdom
Telephone: e.g. +44 12345678; +44 12345678-0001; +44 12345678/79/80; +44 12345678/+44 987654321:	
E-mail:	
Fax:	
Internet address: (URL)	
<b>VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures</b>	
Official name:	
Postal address:	
Town:	
Postal code:	
Country:	
Telephone: e.g. +44 12345678; +44 12345678-0001; +44 12345678/79/80; +44 12345678/+44 987654321:	
E-mail:	
Fax:	
Internet address: (URL)	
<b>VI.4.3) Review procedure</b>	
Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:	
<b>VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained</b>	
Official name:	
Postal address:	
Town:	
Postal code:	
Country:	

Telephone: e.g. +44 12345678; +44 12345678-0001; +44 12345678/79/80; +44 12345678/+44 987654321:	
E-mail:	
Fax:	
Internet address: (URL)	
VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice: (dd/mm/yyyy)	10/12/2017