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#### United Kingdom-London: Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment 2020/S 174-421556

#### **Prior information notice**

#### This notice is for prior information only

#### Services

#### Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

#### Section I: Contracting authority

#### I.1) Name and addresses

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#### 1.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

#### 1.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

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	Town: Normanton
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	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
	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:
	Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Medical Equipment
II.1.2)	Main CPV code
	50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment
II.1.3)	Type of contract
	Services
II.1.4)	Short description:

NHS Supply Chain seeks to establish a non-exclusive framework agreement for the supply to the NHS Supply chain customer base for the maintenance, repair and calibration of medical equipment. This shall include, but not limited to:

- Beds, Furniture and Pressure Area Care;
- Patient Bathing, Handling and Transport;
- Temperature Control;
- Patient Assessment, Monitoring and Life-Support;
- Microscopes;
- Dental Equipment;
- Endoscopy;
- Ophthalmology;
- Lasers;
- Renal and Urodynamics;
- Tier 1 Imaging and Treatment Systems;
- Imaging Equipment;
- General Theatre, Orthopaedics and Physical Therapy;
- Decontamination;
- Laboratory, Pathology and Analysis Equipment;
- Radiology Equipment;
- Robotics.

The purpose of this notice is to draw attention to a procurement that NHS Supply Chain intends to commence during the subsequent 12 months. The invitation to tender will be the subject of a separate notice and it is that notice to which potential suppliers will need to respond at the appropriate time.

# II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 1 182 349 396.62 GBP

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: yes

II.2) Description

# II.2.1) Title:

Beds, Furniture and Pressure Area Care

Lot No: 1

# II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment 5000000 Repair and maintenance services 50324200 Preventive maintenance services 50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment 50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus 50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment

# II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various locations in the UK.

# II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

Maintenance, repair and calibration of beds, cots, dynamic mattresses and cushions, chairs and furniture and treatment couches.

# II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of GBP 2 315 793 in the first year 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.

#### II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title:

Patient Bathing, Handling & Transport Lot No: 2

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

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment
50000000 Repair and maintenance services
50324200 Preventive maintenance services
50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment
50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus
50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

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

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Patient Bathing such as Lifts, Baths, Showers, Cubicles and Associated Equipment, Patient Hoists and Scales, Patient Transfer Chairs, Stretchers, Wheelchairs and Stand Aids, Patient Trolleys, Including Powered and Mortuary Trolleys.

# II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £684,647 in the first year 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.

#### II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) **Title:**

Temperature Control Lot No: 3

# II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment
5000000 Repair and maintenance services
50324200 Preventive maintenance services
50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment
50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus
50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

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

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Blood Tracking Equipment, Body Chambers, Chillers, Fridges & Freezers for use in Laboratory, Blood Bank, Mortuary, Pharmacy and for Medical Equipment, Cryogenic Systems, Ice Machines, Medical Product and Sample Carriers, Patient Temperature Control and Associated Equipment, Plasma Freezers and Thawers, Platelet Agitators and Incubators, Temperature Loggers, Monitoring and Mapping, Ultra Low Temp Freezers.

# II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £160,999 in the first year 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.

# II.2) Description

# II.2.1) Title:

Patient Assessment, Monitoring & Life-Support Lot No: 4

# II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment 5000000 Repair and maintenance services 50324200 Preventive maintenance services 50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment 50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus 50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment 50422000 Repair and maintenance services of surgical equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

# II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Anaesthesia Equipment, Cardiac Electrophysiology Equipment, Cardiac Lung Function Equipment, Cardiac Transducers, Defibrillation Devices, Heart and Lung Perfusion Equipment, Mobile or Static pumps including Infusion, Syringe, Volumetric, Patient controlled pain relief and associated equipment such as syringe drivers, Intra Aortic Balloon Pumps, Jaundice Meters, Neonatal Incubators/Warmers, Non-Specified Trauma or Life-Support Equipment, Oxygen Concentrators, Regulators and Therapy Systems, Patient Assessment and Testing Equipment, Patient Monitoring and Recording Equipment, Phototherapy Units, Spirometers, Temporary Pacing Units, Ventilators and Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) Devices including associated equipment such as Humidifiers, Wound Treatment

# II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £15,749,217 in the first year 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.

- II.2) Description
- II.2.1) **Title:**

Microscopes Lot No: 5

# II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment

5000000 Repair and maintenance services 50324200 Preventive maintenance services 50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment 50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus 50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment 50340000 Repair and maintenance services of audio-visual and optical equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

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

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Microscopes, including Inverted, Upright, Laboratory, Opthalmic, Pathology, Surgical, Outpatient and Dental, Microscopy Camera and Imaging Systems, Slide Scanners

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £39,992 in the first year 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.

# II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title:

Dental Equipment Lot No: 6

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

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment 5000000 Repair and maintenance services 50324200 Preventive maintenance services 50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment 50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus 50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment 50340000 Repair and maintenance services of audio-visual and optical equipment 50344000 Repair and maintenance services of optical equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

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

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Dental Chairs, Dental Compressors, Dentistry Equipment & Tools.

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £10,659 in the first year 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.

#### II.2) Description

II.2.1) **Title:** 

Endoscopy Lot No: 7

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

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment 5000000 Repair and maintenance services 50324200 Preventive maintenance services 50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment 50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus 50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

# II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Electo-Medical Equipment, Flexible Endoscopes, Rigid Endocopes, Endoscopes used with Ultrasound

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £57,869,070 in the first year 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.

#### II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title:

Ophthalmology Lot No: 8

# II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment 5000000 Repair and maintenance services 50324200 Preventive maintenance services 50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment 50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus 50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment 50340000 Repair and maintenance services of audio-visual and optical equipment 50344000 Repair and maintenance services of optical equipment

# II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

# II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Aberrometry Equipment, Computerised Sight Charts, Corneal Equipment including Pachymetry and Cross Linking Equipment, Lens Meters, Ophthalmic Diagnostic Testing equipment such as Biometry Equipment, Ultrasound Equipment, Phoropter Equipment and Auto-Refractors, Ophthalmic Imaging Equipment such as Slit Lamps, Perimeter Equipment and Field Analyser Equipment, Phacoemulification and Vitrectomy Equipment, Pupilometer Equipment including Pupillary Distance (PD) Meters, Specular Microscopy Equipment.

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £843,686 in the first year 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.

# II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title: Lasers

Lot No: 9

# II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment 5000000 Repair and maintenance services 50324200 Preventive maintenance services 50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment 50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus 50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment 50340000 Repair and maintenance services of audio-visual and optical equipment 50344000 Repair and maintenance services of optical equipment

# II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

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

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Dermatological Lasers, Ophthalmic Lasers, Surgical Lasers

# II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £421,843 in the first year 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.

#### II.2) Description

# II.2.1) Title:

Renal & Urodynamics Lot No: 10

# II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment 5000000 Repair and maintenance services 50324200 Preventive maintenance services 50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment 50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus 50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

# II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Haemodialysis Equipment, Haemofiltration Equipment, Peritoneal Dialysis Equipment, Urodynamics Equipment and Treatment Systems

# II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £88,904 in the first year 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.

#### II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title:

Tier 1 Imaging and Treatment systems Lot No: 11

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

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment 5000000 Repair and maintenance services 50324200 Preventive maintenance services 50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment 50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus 50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment 50421200 Repair and maintenance services of X-ray equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

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

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Fluoroscopy and Angiography Equipment, Hybrid Imaging Systems, Imaging Surgical Systems such as Surgical Navigation Systems and Focussed Ultrasound Equipment, Computed Tomography (CT) Scanners, Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Scanner, Nuclear Medicine Imaging systems such as Gamma Camera Systems and Positron Emission Tomography (PET)

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £85,214,488 in the first year 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.

#### II.2) Description

# II.2.1) Title:

Imaging Equipment Lot No: 12

# II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment
5000000 Repair and maintenance services
50324200 Preventive maintenance services
50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment
50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus
50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment
50421200 Repair and maintenance services of X-ray equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance:

Various Locations in the UK

# II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Bladder Scanners, Bone Densitometry, Clinical Imaging Speciman Cabinets, Contrast Injectors, Dental Imaging Including X-Ray and Ultrasound, Lithotripsy, Mammography (Digital & Analogue), Medical Photography, Printing and Associated Equipment, Mobile Image Intensifiers (MII), Mobile X-Ray Systems, Patient Positioning and Quality Assurance Systems, Ultrasound Equipment Including Physiotherapy, Static X-Ray Systems

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £50,266,022 in the first year 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.

#### II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title:

General Theatre, Orthopaedics & Physical Therapy Lot No: 13

# II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment 5000000 Repair and maintenance services 50324200 Preventive maintenance services 50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment 50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus 50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment 50422000 Repair and maintenance services of surgical equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

# II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Arthroscopy Equipment, Insufflators, Non-Surgical Treatment Equipment including Light Therapy, Operating Tables and Transfer Systems, Orthopaedic Power Tools, Physical Treatment including Rehabilitation and Physiotherapy, Rotablation Equipment, Smoke Evacuators, Suction Units, Surgery Systems including Electrosurgical, Hydrosurgery and Cryosurgical, Theatre lights (Mobile or Fixed), Pendants, Beams, Booms and Control Panels

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £2,206,008 in the first year 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.

#### II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title:

Decontamination Lot No: 14

# II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment 50000000 Repair and maintenance services

50324200 Preventive maintenance services 50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment 50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus 50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

# II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Automated Endoscope Re-Processers, Bed Pan Washers, Drying Cabinets including Endoscope Storage, Health Technical Memorandum (HTM) Testing Equipment, Laboratory Water Systems, Macerators, Sterilisers including Fogging Devices, Steam and Hydrogen Peroxide, Trolley Washers, Ultrasonic Cleaners, Ultra-Violet (UV) Systems, Washer Disinfectors including Chambers, Water Treatment and Purification systems including Reverse Osmosis

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £12,047,888 in the first year 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.

# II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title:

Laboratory, Pathology & Analysis Equipment Lot No: 15

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

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment 5000000 Repair and maintenance services 50324200 Preventive maintenance services 50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment 50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus 50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment

# II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

# II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Amplification Equipment, Analysers and Meters, Automated Systems, Blending Equipment, Cabinets, Chambers and Hoods including Ultra-Violet, Smoke, Fume, Anaerobic, Laminar Flow, Glove and Humidity/ Temperature controlled., Chromatography, Spectroscopy and Spectrometry Equipment, Coagulation Equipment, Digital Morphology Equipment, Drying Equipment, Gel & Liquid documentation and Analysis including Culture Systems, Heating Equipment, Histology, Histopathology, Cytology and Microbiology Equipment, Liquid Handling Equipment and Measurement Equipment, Mixing Equipment, Mortuary Tables, Point of Care Marker and Analysis Equipment, Pumping Equipment, Sample and Tissue Preparation and Processing including associated equipment, Screening and Immunoassay Systems, Analysers and Processors, Seperation Equipment, Shaking Equipment, Slicing Equipment, Storage and Safety Equipment, Weighing and Measuring Equipment

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £391,579 in the first year 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.

# II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title:

Radiotherapy Equipment Lot No: 16

# II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment 5000000 Repair and maintenance services 50324200 Preventive maintenance services 50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment 50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus 50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment 50421200 Repair and maintenance services of X-ray equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

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

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Radiotherapy Treatment & Planning Systems such as Linear Accelerators (LINAC), Brachytherapy Seeds & Associated Systems, Computerised & Digital Radiography Readers (CR & DR).

# II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £2,431,012 in the first year 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.

#### II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title:

Robotics Lot No: 17

# II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

50421000 Repair and maintenance services of medical equipment 5000000 Repair and maintenance services 50324200 Preventive maintenance services 50400000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment 50412000 Repair and maintenance services of testing apparatus 50420000 Repair and maintenance services of medical and surgical equipment 50422000 Repair and maintenance services of surgical equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM Main site or place of performance: Various Locations in the UK

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

Maintenance Repair and Calibration of Robotic Systems including Surgical Systems.

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £2,100,000 in the first year 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.

# II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice: 04/01/2022

#### Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Description

# IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

#### Section VI: Complementary information

#### VI.3) Additional information:

The following certification will be a requirement of the upcoming tender exercise and applicants may be required to include evidence of this with their tender submission.

— ISO 9001:2015 or equivalent accredited and up-to-date quality standard certificate(s) to cover all segments of the applicant's (and the product's) supply chain. This should include but not be limited to manufacturing storage and distribution. Further information in respect of certification requirements will be set out in the notice for the

forthcoming procurement. If such certificates are not in the name of the applicant then the applicant must supply a copy of agreements setting out the authority and responsibilities of all parties in the supply chain. The framework agreement between NHS Supply Chain and successful suppliers will reserve the right to

purchase the same or similar supplies and/or services from suppliers not appointed to the framework agreement at its sole discretion.

Whilst it is anticipated that initial expenditure under any forthcoming procurement will be in the region of GBP 1 182 349 396.62 for this contract award, this is approximate only and the values will be to such level as those purchasing under the framework agreement consider necessary to provide suitable requirements.

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/bulk buy initiatives.l;:

The framework agreement will be between NHS Supply Chain and the Supplier, however

1) NHS Supply Chain;

2) any NHS Trust;

3) any other NHS entity;

4) any government department, agency or other statutory body; and/or

5) any private sector entity active in the uk healthcare sector will be able to enter into a direct contract with the supplier for any of the supplies and/or services under the framework.

The supplier will be required to report to and pay a direct contract management fee to NHS Supply Chain as detailed in the tender documents.

NHS Supply Chain is currently considering the use of lots for this procurement. However, it reserves the right not to as part of any future tender process. Further information in respect of the lot strategy will be set out in the notice for the forthcoming procurement.

As part of its pre-tender strategy, NHS Supply Chain would also like to engage with suppliers of these products via a Request for Information (RFI). If you would like to complete the request for information document in respect of the products which are the subject of this procurement then please follow the below instructions; Candidates wishing to complete the request for information must register their expression of interest. The Request for Information document will then be sent via the Intenda Messaging Centre. Registration

Use URL http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS/ to access the NHS Supply Chain Procurement portal.
 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 and select 'Prior Information Notice' towards the top right of the screen to open the list of new prior information notices.

Expression of interest

— view PIN 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.

Request for information document

- the request for information document will then be sent to you via the Intenda Messaging Centre;

— applicants will then have 4 weeks from the dispatch of this notice to complete and return the Request for Information document.