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**United Kingdom-Normanton: Medical equipments, pharmaceuticals and personal care products
2018/S 047-102656**

Prior information notice

This notice is for prior information only

Supplies

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.2) Joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address
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:

Daily Living Aids including Walking Aids

II.1.2) Main CPV code

33000000

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description:

National framework agreement for the supply of aids for daily living, including but not limited to crutches, ferrules, walking sticks, walking frames, rollators, walkers, walking aid spare parts, bathing aids, bathing and/or toileting aids, bedroom aids, home aids and toileting aids. Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of GBP 7 300 000 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. The estimated annual value over the total framework agreement term (including any extension options) = GBP 28 960 000.

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 28 960 000.00 GBP

II.1.6) **Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: yes

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Daily Living Aids
Lot No: 1

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

33000000
33196000
33196100
33196200

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

— Bathing aids including but not limited to Bath seats, bench and boards, bath lifts, bath steps, shower stops and seats and washing aids.

— Bathing/toileting aids including but not limited to shower chairs/commodes, bottom wipers, commodes, commode/toilet frames, toilet frames, toilet seats, toilet seat and frames, and toilet supports.

— Bedroom aids including but not limited to bed cradles, bed support rails, bed mattresses and pillow raisers, mattress tilters, overbed tables and overlay mattresses.

— Home aids including but not limited to cushion and backrests, dressing aids, folding ramps, furniture raisers, grab rails, key safes, key turners, kitchen aids, leg rests, patient lifting, perching stools, reachers, stair rails and step stools.

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of GBP 740 000 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.2.14) **Additional information**

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Walking Aids
Lot No: 2

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

33141710
33141720

39295000
39295400

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

Walking aids.

— Crutches including but not limited to axilla, double adjustable, fixed height, paediatric, quadruped, single adjustable and tripod.

— Ferrules including but not limited to Type D, Type Z and with Ball Joint.

— Walking sticks including but not limited to aluminium, laminate and wooden.

— Walking frames including but not limited to with and without wheels.

Rollators.

— Walkers including but not limited to 3 wheel and 4 wheel.

— Walking aid spare parts including but not limited to walker spare parts and walking frame spare parts.

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of GBP 6 500 000 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.2.14) **Additional information**

II.3) **Estimated date of publication of contract notice:**

05/02/2019

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 will be required to include evidence of this with their tender submission.

— ISO 9001:2015 or equivalent externally 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 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.

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 GBP 40 000 000 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.

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 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.

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; 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 'Applicant dashboard' icon to open the list of new procurement events.

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 need to return the Request for information document 2 weeks from receiving the message via ISS Messaging system.

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

06/03/2018