**NHS Vale of York CCG Anticoagulation Warfarin Monitoring**

**and Management Service Market Engagement**

**Prior Information Notice**

NHS Vale of York CCG wishes to engage with the market in relation to the provision of an Anticoagulation Warfarin Monitoring and Management Service. NHS Vale of York CCG are inviting potential providers of this service to respond to this expression of interest and indicate if they would be interested in bidding for this opportunity. The current level of activity is circa 550 patients and the current budget is circa £108K per annum. The initial contract would be for a period of 3 years.

The Anticoagulation Warfarin Monitoring and Management Service in the NHS Vale of York CCG area was, in the main, historically provided by York Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust through a traditional phlebotomy-based service. The CCG is now transferring this service from secondary care into the community, using a near patient testing model.

The new service will be predominantly provided in primary care. However, the CCG is looking for a single/lead provider to ensure service provision for patients from all of the following practices:

* East Parade Medical Practice, York – 27 Patients
* Beech Tree Surgery, Selby – 209 Patients
* Escrick Surgery, Escrick - 77 patients
* Sherburn Group Practice, Sherburn in Elmet – 119 patients
* Tadcaster Medical Centre, Tadcaster – 117 patients

NHS Vale of York CCG would be looking to publish the tender mid – end August 2018 and the contract would commence at the end of January 2019. The provider will be expected to take responsibility for 100% of appropriate patients at contract commencement.

The provider will obtain the sample, test and dose and must use INRstar as the computerised decision support software. The supply of all adequate and appropriate equipment including test strips and control strips will be the provider’s responsibility.

As part of the quality requirements of this service, the provider will be expected to minimise any need for warfarin monitoring at weekends and bank holidays. The provider must ensure that, where there is clinical need, their patients have monitoring over weekends and bank holidays.

If you would be interested in this opportunity, please could you respond by email to annabourne@nhs.net in the first instance and also include a brief summary of your experience in providing a similar service model. NHS Vale of York CCG would be looking for a single / lead provider to deliver this service, so can you also include any challenges this may bring and how you would propose to mitigate these. Expressions of interest need to be received no later **than 5pm on Monday, 9 July 2018.**

This exercise is not part of any prequalification or selection process. It is intended as an awareness, communication and information gathering exercise offering an opportunity for potential providers to advise their interest and capability in providing an Anticoagulation Warfarin Monitoring and Management Service.