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**United Kingdom-Normanton: Medical equipments, pharmaceuticals and personal care products
2015/S 202-365557**

Prior information notice

Supplies

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

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

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General address of the contracting authority: 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>

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.B: Object of the contract (Supplies or services)

II.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

'Surgical Instruments 2016 (Revised PIN)'.

II.2) Type of contract and place of delivery or of performance

Supplies

'Various locations in UK'.

NUTS code UK,UKE4

II.3) Information on framework agreement

II.4) Short description of nature and quantity or value of supplies or services:

'The requirement is for the supply of Surgical Instruments including the following type of products ranges.

— Single Use Surgical Instruments and Single Use Surgical Instrument Packs.

— Reusable Surgical Instruments and Patient Held Packs.

— Scalpel Blades Scalpel Handles and Disposable Scalpels.

- Single Use Suction Tubes.
- Self-Retaining Retraction Systems.
- Sterile Single Use Plastic Forceps.

This PIN event “Surgical Instruments 2016 (Revised PIN)” replaces a previously-issued PIN “Surgical Instruments 2016”. Therefore if you registered an interest in the first PIN you will now need to register interest in the new PIN event on the NHS Supply Chain Portal. You may be able to access the original PIN content via an official OJEU (or other OJEU-subscription website for example) which we have no control over and cannot fully cancel. So for the avoidance of doubt this simply means that this PIN (and not the previous PIN) contains all of the correct and up-to-date details that are relevant to the next NHS Supply Chain's Surgical Instruments tender. 2 of the key requirements of the Surgical Instruments tender will be:

1. All Applicants must provide an in-date ISO 13485 certificate with their tender response in the Tendering Organisation's name that is relevant to the Tendering Organisation's business activities that in-turn are directly relevant to the Framework requirements (more details will be provided in the tender documents).
2. All Applicants will be required to submit LSAS Level 2 by 3.9.2016. Further details about this requirement and an LSAS briefing can be found in an addendum to this Prior Information Notice (PIN) that shall be issued through the NHS Supply Chain's procurement portal.

If you intend to tender for any or all of the lots you are advised to;

- a. “express an interest” in this (revised) PIN event on the NHS SC portal; and
- b. read the LSAS additional details (Addendum to this PIN) that will be posted via the said portal through this new PIN event and the message centre; and
- c. await confirmation of the LSAS webinar details.

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £8 490 000 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 value over the total Framework Agreement term (including any extension options and forecasted growth) is shown below.

Estimated cost excluding VAT: 38 340 000 GBP

II.5) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

33000000, 33130000, 33131000, 33131100, 33131114, 33131132, 33131500, 33131160, 33131161, 33131110, 33131113, 33131123, 33140000, 33141000, 33141100, 33141120, 33141411, 33141620, 33141641, 33162100, 33162200, 33169000, 33169200, 33169300, 33169400, 33713000, 33742100, 33910000, 33911000, 39241000, 39241200

II.6) **Scheduled date for start of award procedures**

II.7) **Information about Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

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

II.8) **Additional information:**

‘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 at its sole discretion. Whilst it is anticipated that initial expenditure under any forthcoming procurement will be in the region of 8 490 000 GBP this is approximate only and the values will be to such level as those purchasing under the Framework consider necessary. 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. The Framework Agreement will be between NHS Supply Chain and the Supplier. Under the

Framework Agreement there will be two different methods of supply — one for Non-Direct Contract Products and one for Direct Contract Products. NHS Supply Chain will be entitled to purchase the supplies as Non-Direct Contract Products which it will then 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. For the supplies identified as Direct Contract Products

- 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. For Direct Contract Products 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 tender documents.

As part of its pre-tender strategy NHS Supply Chain anticipates engaging with suppliers of these products.

If you would like to contract with NHS Supply Chain in respect of the products which are the subject of this procurement please contact Lisa Martin by registering your expression of interest via <http://procurement.supplychain.nhs.uk/ISS> and send a message to Lisa via the messaging centre.

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.

Estimated date of publication of contract notice is December 2015’.

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions relating to the contract

III.1.1) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them:

N/A.

III.2) Conditions for participation

III.2.1) Information about reserved contracts

Section VI: Complementary information

- VI.1) **Information about European Union funds**
- VI.2) **Additional information:**
- VI.3) **Information on general regulatory framework**
- VI.4) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**
13.10.2015