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**United Kingdom-Normanton: Blood and fluid warming
2018/S 027-058336**

Prior information notice

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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
- 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:**
Patient Temperature Management
- II.1.2) **Main CPV code**
33186200
- II.1.3) **Type of contract**
Supplies
- II.1.4) **Short description:**
The framework agreement will consist of a wide range of products that are used to support the management of a patient's temperature and the temperature of a patient's blood and other fluids. The ranges of products available under the framework agreement include patient warming blankets and clothing, mattresses, warming cabinets, neonatal warming systems, blood and fluid warming control units and sets, patient cooling systems

and associated products, patient circulatory temperature controlled water systems, reusable electric conductive patient warming systems, intravenous temperature management and temperature sensors. Precise quantities are unknown but it is currently anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of GBP 11 400 000 to GBP 24 600 000 in the first year of this framework agreement, with the estimated value over the total framework agreement term (including any extension options) being in the region of GBP 45 600 000 to GBP 98 400 000. Values are approximate only.

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 98 400 000.00 GBP

II.1.6) **Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: yes

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Forced air patient warming blankets

Lot No: 1

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

33140000

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33190000

33195000

33186200

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

Forced air warming blankets are intended to distribute warmed air over a patient. Product must offer adjustable warming capabilities for both pre and post-operative application to assist in maintaining normothermia.

II.2.14) **Additional information**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of GBP 8 000 000 to GBP 16 000 000 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) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Blood and fluid warming equipment and consumables

Lot No: 2

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

33195000

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II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

This Lot includes products intended for warming blood and fluids including, but not limited to.

- Control Units (for high and low flow),
- insulation covers,
- pressurizers,
- regulation boxes.

II.2.14) **Additional information**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of GBP 2 000 000 to GBP 6 000 000 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) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Patient temperature management equipment

Lot No: 3

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

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II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

Warming mattresses: positioned underneath a patient during a medical procedure to help maintain normothermia.

Warming cabinets: used to warm blood, fluids and blankets before use.

Paediatric/Neonatal warming systems specifically for children, infants and new-borns.

Patient cooling: a range of systems and accessories intended to aid patient cooling in a variety of medical applications including mattresses, wrap pads, intravenous cooling, cooling towels and scalp cooling.

Scalp cooling refrigeration/cooling control unit: a system designed to deliver cooled water to a fitted cap worn on the head during treatment in order to help reduce hair loss for oncology patients undergoing chemotherapy.

Cooling cap:

Thermal regulation control units.

II.2.14) **Additional information**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of GBP 600 000 to GBP 1 200 000 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) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Patient temperature management consumables

Lot No: 4

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

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II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

Reusable electrically conductive patient warming blankets with a Multi-function temperature control unit to help control and normothermia.

Full body warming blanket for use with control unit.

Passive insulating blankets (non-electric) to prevent heat loss and associated hypothermia.

Active self-warming blankets — intended to keep patients warm and reduce hypothermia risk.

Infant chemically activated warming mattresses.

Patient warming clothing for adults and paediatrics including gowns, ponchos and jackets for use with hot air blower.

Passive insulating patient warming clothing for adults and paediatrics including Leggings, head covers, wraps and gowns.

Surface cooling pads provide immediate localised patient cooling, including water and gel.

II.2.14) **Additional information**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of GBP 200 000 to GBP 600 000 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) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Temperature sensors

Lot No: 5

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

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II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK

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

- general purpose probe,
- oesophageal stethoscope with temperature sensor,
- foley catheter with temperature sensor,
- skin temperature probe,
- tympanic temperature probe,
- myocardial temperature probe,

- non-invasive core temperature sensor,
- probe interface cables and connectors.

II.2.14) **Additional information**

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of GBP 600 000 to GBP 800 000 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:**

01/10/2018

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 purpose of this notice is to draw attention to a procurement that NHS Supply Chain intends to commence during the subsequent 12 months. 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 of GBP 45 600 000 to GBP 98 400 000 for this contract award, this is approximate only.

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 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.

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:

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 then have 4 weeks from the dispatch of this notice to complete and return the request for information document.

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**
07/02/2018