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Future opportunity

Wipes for Surface Cleaning & Disinfection

NHS Supply Chain Operated by Supply Chain Coordination Ltd (SCCL)

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health/about/procurement>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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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

Wipes for Surface Cleaning & Disinfection

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 33141118 - Wipes

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

This notice is issued to inform potential suppliers of a procurement that NHS Supply Chain intends to commence during the subsequent 12 months for the provision of Wipes and accessories for the purpose of surface cleaning and disinfection. Products include but are not limited to Indicator Products, Combined Detergent & Disinfection, Detergent, Disinfection, Sporicidal and Sterile Alcohol wipes. Precise quantities are unknown.

Criteria applicable across all product lines:

Medical Devices Directive 93/42/EEC (as amended)

All products must have their CE marking evident on the product and/or packaging.

Or

Medical Devices Regulation 2017/745 (as amended)

All products must have their CE marking evident on the product and/or packaging.

CLP Regulation (EC) 1272/2008

REACH Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006

EU Biocides Regulation 528/2012 (EU BPR)

It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £31,273,365 (Cost Inc. VAT)

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 (3+1-year term) is anticipated to be approximately £149,891,653 (Cost Inc. VAT)

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.

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.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £124,909,710

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 6

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Indicator Products

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 22816300 - Sticky-note pads

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot is for adhesive notes or tape used to indicate that a device has been cleaned. For avoidance of doubt this Lot does not include chemical indicators.

II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £523,597 Inc. VAT 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

Combined 2 in 1 Wipes

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33141118 - Wipes

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot is for Wipes that are impregnated with a detergent and disinfectant liquid for the cleaning and disinfection of surfaces and/or non-invasive medical devices. All products must be suitable for use in the Healthcare and Healthcare related environment, typically within the NHS sector.

All products on this Lot must meet current standards and Regulations: Regulation (EC) No 648/2004 on detergents: If applicable to combination wipes with both detergent & disinfection action

BS EN 16615:2015

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics. Quantitative test method for the evaluation of bactericidal and Yeasticidal activity on non-porous surfaces with mechanical action employing wipes in the medical area (4- field test). Test method and requirements (phase 2, step 2)

Amendment to the standard requirements:

- The maximum contact time must be 2 minutes or shorter
- Testing must be conducted in “dirty” conditions as prescribed in the standard BS EN 16615:2015

BS EN 14476:2013+A2:2019

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics. Quantitative suspension test for the evaluation of virucidal activity in the medical area. Test method and requirements (Phase 2/Step 1)

Amendment to the standard requirements:

- The maximum contact time must be 2 minutes or shorter
- Minimum spectrum of test organisms - Virucidal activity against enveloped viruses and Norovirus.
- Testing must be conducted in “dirty” conditions as prescribed in the standard BS EN 14476:2013+A2:2019.
- Testing must be conducted with liquid extracted from the wipe.

And where applicable and available the following:

BS EN 16777:2018

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics. Quantitative non-porous surface test without mechanical action for the evaluation of virucidal activity of chemical disinfectants used in the medical area. Test method and requirements (phase 2/step 2)

BS EN 14885:2018

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics. Application of European Standards for chemical disinfectants and antiseptics

Wipes must be tested at laboratories that are UKAS or independent Equivalent accredited with BS EN 17025:2017.

NHS Supply Chain may stipulate testing of Applicant's Goods at the Applicant's expense or request further information from the Applicant to ensure the Goods comply with the Specification at any time during the Tender or post tender. In the event that the product(s) do not meet the Specification, NHS Supply Chain will reserve the right to exclude the Goods from the Framework Agreement and/or the tender process (as the case may be).

II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £21,278,779 Inc. VAT 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

Detergent Wipes

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33141118 - Wipes

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot is for Wipes that are impregnated with a detergent solution, used for cleaning and damp dusting without additional antimicrobial agents. All products must be suitable for use in the Healthcare and Healthcare related environment, typically within the NHS sector.

All products must meet current standards and Regulations:

Detergents Regulation (EC) No.684/2004

NHS Supply Chain may stipulate testing of Applicant's Goods at the Applicant's expense or request further information from the Applicant to ensure the Goods comply with the Specification at any time during the Tender or post tender. In the event that the product(s) do not meet the Specification, NHS Supply Chain will reserve the right to exclude the Goods from the Framework Agreement and/or the tender process (as the case may be)

II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £1,181,111 Inc. VAT 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

Sporicidal Wipes

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33141118 - Wipes

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot is for Wipes that are impregnated with active ingredients that have sporicidal properties, for example, peracetic acid, hydrogen peroxide or chlorine both wet and dry. All products must be suitable for use in the Healthcare and Healthcare related environment, typically within the NHS sector.

All products must meet current standards and Regulations:

BS EN 17126:2018

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics. Quantitative suspension test for the evaluation of sporicidal activity of chemical disinfectants in the medical area. Test method and requirements (phase 2, step 1)

Amendment to the standard requirements:

- The maximum contact time for a suspension test must be 5 minutes or shorter
- Must use *Clostridium difficile* spores as one of the test organisms
- Testing must be conducted in “dirty” conditions as prescribed in the standard.
- Testing must be conducted with liquid extracted from the wipe

And where applicable and available the following:

BS EN 14476:2013+A2:2019

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics. Quantitative suspension test for the evaluation of virucidal activity in the medical area. Test method and requirements (Phase 2/Step 1)

Amendment to the standard requirements:

- The maximum contact time must be 2 minutes or shorter
- Minimum spectrum of test organisms - Virucidal activity against enveloped viruses and Norovirus.
- Testing must be conducted in “dirty” conditions as prescribed in the standard.
- Testing must be conducted with liquid extracted from the wipe.

Wipes must be tested at laboratories that are UKAS or independent Equivalent accredited with BS EN 17025:2017.

NHS Supply Chain may stipulate testing of Applicant’s Goods at the Applicant’s expense or request further information from the Applicant to ensure the Goods comply with the Specification at any time during the Tender or post tender. In the event that the product(s) do not meet the Specification, NHS Supply Chain will reserve the right to exclude the Goods from the Framework Agreement and/or the tender process (as the case may be).

II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £1,971,091 Inc. VAT 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

Disinfection Wipes

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33141118 - Wipes

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot is for Sterile Cleanroom Wipes that are impregnated with a solution that contains disinfectant liquid and/or alcohol but can also contain other active ingredients for the disinfection of surfaces and/or non-invasive medical devices. All products must be suitable for use in the Healthcare and Healthcare related environment, typically within the NHS sector.

All products must meet current standards and Regulations:

BS EN 16615:2015

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics. Quantitative test method for the evaluation of bactericidal and Yeasticidal activity on non-porous surfaces with mechanical action employing wipes in the medical area (4- field test). Test method and requirements (phase 2, step 2)

Amendment to the standard requirements:

- The maximum contact time must be 2 minutes or shorter
- Testing must be conducted in “clean” conditions as prescribed in the standard.

BS EN 14476:2013+A2:2019

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics. Quantitative suspension test for the evaluation of virucidal activity in the medical area. Test method and requirements (Phase 2/Step 1)

Amendment to the standard requirements:

- The maximum contact time must be 2 minutes or shorter
- Testing must be conducted in “clean” conditions as prescribed in the standard
- Minimum spectrum of test organisms - Virucidal activity against enveloped viruses and Norovirus, Alcohol products are exempt from testing Norovirus.

- Testing must be conducted with liquid extracted from the wipe

And where applicable and available the following:

BS EN ISO 11137-1:2015+A2:2019

Sterilization of health care products. Radiation — Requirements for development, validation and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices.

BS EN ISO 17665:2024

Sterilization of health care products. Moist heat. Requirements for the development, validation and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices.

BS EN 556-2:2024

Sterilization of medical devices. Requirements for medical devices to be designated ""STERILE"" — Requirements for aseptically processed medical devices

BS EN 16777:2018

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics. Quantitative non-porous surface test without mechanical action for the evaluation of virucidal activity of chemical disinfectants used in the medical area. Test method and requirements (phase 2/step 2).

BS EN 14885:2022

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics. Application of European Standards for chemical disinfectants and antiseptics.

Wipes must be tested at laboratories that are UKAS or independent Equivalent accredited with BS EN 17025:2017.

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II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £5,046,787 Inc. VAT 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

Sterile Cleanroom Wipes

Lot No

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II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33141118 - Wipes

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot is for Sterile Cleanroom Wipes that are impregnated with a solution that contains disinfectant liquid and/or alcohol but can also contain other active ingredients for the disinfection of surfaces and/or non-invasive medical devices. All products must be suitable for use in the Healthcare and Healthcare related environment, typically within the NHS sector.

All products must meet current standards and Regulations:

BS EN 16615:2015

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics. Quantitative test method for the evaluation of bactericidal and Yeastocidal activity on non-porous surfaces with mechanical action employing wipes in the medical area (4- field test). Test method and requirements (phase 2, step 2)

Amendment to the standard requirements:

- The maximum contact time must be 2 minutes or shorter
- Testing must be conducted in “clean” conditions as prescribed in the standard.

BS EN 14476:2013+A2:2019

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics. Quantitative suspension test for the evaluation of virucidal activity in the medical area. Test method and requirements (Phase 2/Step 1)

Amendment to the standard requirements:

- The maximum contact time must be 2 minutes or shorter
- Testing must be conducted in “clean” conditions as prescribed in the standard
- Minimum spectrum of test organisms - Virucidal activity against enveloped viruses and Norovirus, Alcohol products are exempt from testing Norovirus.
- Testing must be conducted with liquid extracted from the wipe

And where applicable and available the following:

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Sterilization of health care products. Radiation — Requirements for development, validation and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices.

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Sterilization of health care products. Moist heat. Requirements for the development, validation and routine control of a sterilization process for medical devices.

BS EN 556-2:2024

Sterilization of medical devices. Requirements for medical devices to be designated "STERILE" — Requirements for aseptically processed medical devices

BS EN 16777:2018

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics. Quantitative non-porous surface test without mechanical action for the evaluation of virucidal activity of chemical disinfectants used in the medical area. Test method and requirements (phase 2/step 2).

BS EN 14885:2022

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics. Application of European Standards for chemical disinfectants and antiseptics.

Wipes must be tested at laboratories that are UKAS or independent Equivalent accredited with BS EN 17025:2017.

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II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £1,272,000 Inc. VAT 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

10 July 2025

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 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.

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.

Please note this procurement will be conducted in accordance with the Procurement Act 2023 and the Procurement Regulations 2024.

The following will be mandatory requirements of the upcoming tender exercise:

- ISO 9001: 2015 accredited by the United Kingdom Accreditation Service (or equivalent) 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. If Quality Assurance Standard 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.

- Declaration of Conformity and UKCA Certification to demonstrate compliance to UK Medical Device

Regulations 2002 or Declaration of Conformity and CE Certification to demonstrate compliance to

Medical Devices Directive 93/42/EEC or Medical Device Regulation 2017/745 (where applicable).

- The Insurances set out below, evidence of which should be an Insurance Certificate or a signed Broker's letter.

Employers Liability Insurance cover of £5m per claim in the name of the Applicant

Public Liability Insurance cover of £5m per claim in the name of the Applicant

Product Liability Insurance cover of £5m per claim in the name of the Applicant or £5m per claim and in the annual aggregate

- MHRA registration of any medical devices, in compliance with the Medical Devices Regulations 2022 (SI 2022 No 618, as amended) (UK MDR 2022).
- All Applicants for this future tender must have a compliant Carbon Reduction Plan to be considered for the Framework Agreement (PPN 06/21).
- All Applicants bidding to be on any NHS Supply Chain Frameworks must submit an Evergreen

Assessment as part of the tendering process. This must be completed annually.

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/nhs-commercial/central-commercial-function-ccf/evergreen/>

- As a minimum (and further requirements may be set out in the tender documents), Applicants are

required to have a Modern Slavery Assessment (MSAT) completed within 12 months of the future tender close date (PPN 02/23).

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,

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 Jaggaer Messaging Centre.

REGISTRATION

1. Use URL <https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//> 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

- Login with URL <https://nhssupplychain.app.iaggaer.com//>
- Click on "SQs Open to All Suppliers".

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

- Find SQ_574 - RFI Wipes for Cleaning and Disinfection and click on the blue text.
- Click on the 'EXPRESS INTEREST' button in the top right corner.

RFI

- The Request for Information Document will be available in the Qualification envelope and attachments

tab.

- Responses to the RFI should be returned as an attachment to a message in the SQ.