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Tender

Out of Hours Dental Services in Hertfordshire and West Essex and Mid and South Essex

NHS England

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/>

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned 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

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Out of Hours Dental Services in Hertfordshire and West Essex and Mid and South Essex

Reference number

AG22501

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit on behalf of NHS England - East of England (the Commissioner) would like to notify the market of an opportunity to provide Out of Hours Dental Services in Hertfordshire and West Essex and Mid and South Essex for the following Lots.

Lot 1: Hertfordshire and West Essex

Lot 2: Mid and South Essex

The key aims and objectives are as follows;

- Commission forward-thinking dental out of hours provision that is evidenced-based and influenced by stakeholders including the dental community, patients and local Integrated Care Systems (ICS's).
- Commission appropriate levels of provision in each geographical area, which is evidence-based.
- Commission a service that ensures equity of patient access in terms of location and opening hours.
- Potentially decrease dental emergency attendance at Emergency Departments.

Please note the deadline for ITT submissions is 12:00PM on Wednesday 22nd February 2023.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1: Hertfordshire and West Essex

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH - East of England

Main site or place of performance

Hertfordshire and West Essex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care System (ICS) encompasses all the Lower Tier Local Authority (LTLA) of Hertfordshire and the LTLAs of Uttlesford, Harlow and Epping Forrest.

The Provider must make available a minimum of 46 hours per week for face-to-face patient care. and as part of core hours, the provider will make appointments available as a minimum, on Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays from 11am-3pm and from Monday to Friday 6pm-8pm. During all face to face sessions, 3 patient appointments per hour will be available as a minimum.

A minimum of two locations is required with a recommended distance of at least 15 - 20 miles apart, or within a 30 – 60 minute travel time from each other.

The contract will be for a duration of 5 years with the option to extend for up to a further 2 years with an estimated annual contract value of £499,838.00 per annum.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £3,498,866

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

1 October 2023

End date

30 September 2030

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2: Mid and South Essex

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH - East of England

Main site or place of performance

Mid and South Essex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Mid and South Essex ICS encompasses the LTLAs of Basildon, Brentwood, Braintree, Castle Point, Chelmsford, Maldon, Rochford and the Unitary Local Authority areas of Thurrock and South end on Sea.

The Provider must make available a minimum of 46 hours per week for face-to-face patient care and as part of core hours, the provider will make appointments available as a minimum, on Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays from 11am-3pm and a minimum of 3 weekday evenings between Monday to Friday from 6pm-8pm. During all face to face sessions, 3 patient appointments per hour will be available as a minimum.

A minimum of two locations is required with a recommended distance of at least 15 - 20 miles apart, or within a 30 – 60 minute travel time from each other.

The contract will be for a duration of 5 years with the option to extend for up to a further 2 years with an estimated annual contract value of £300,187.00 per annum

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £2,101,309

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

1 October 2023

End date

30 September 2030

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2022/S 000-021914](#)

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

22 February 2023

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 5 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

22 February 2023

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

This Procurement has been advertised in accordance with the requirements of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015(as amended) (the “Regulations”) to the extent that the Regulations relate to services within the scope of Schedule 3thereto (Social and Other Specific Services). The Commissioner and AGCSU are, therefore, bound only by those parts of the Regulations applying to Schedule 3 services.

The Contracting Authority will be using an eTendering system for this procurement exercise. Further information and the ITT documentation can be found via the ‘Live Opportunities’ list on the e-procurement system at the following

link:<https://health-family-contract-search.secure.force.com/?searchtype=Projects>.

You can also register your interest via this page. You can search for the opportunity by entering the following contract reference: C120113: Out of Hours Dental Services in Hertfordshire & West Essex and Mid & South Essex.

Neither the publication of this notice nor the employment of any particular terminology nor any other indication shall be taken to mean that the Contracting Authority intends to hold itself bound by any of the Regulations. Please see published procurement documentation for further details.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.judiciary.uk/courts-and-tribunals/high-court/>