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Planning

Dental Primary Care

NHS SUFFOLK AND NORTH EAST ESSEX INTEGRATED CARE BOARD

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NHS Organisation Data Service

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Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://suffolkandnortheastsex.icb.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://atamis-1928.my.site.com/>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://atamis-1928.my.site.com/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Dental Primary Care

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care Board (SNEE ICB) has identified a number of areas as having limited dental access according to the population size and need. To support access SNEE ICB will be undertaking an open procurement in the near future. This notice is to make potential providers aware of this imminent opportunity and to promote two market engagement sessions.

The areas which would be available as opportunities within the procurement are as follows:

- Bury St Edmunds - UDAs available - 33,807
- Brandon - UDAs available - 14,744
- Eye and North West Suffolk - UDAs available - 21,942
- Saxmundham and North East Suffolk (including Leiston) - UDAs available - 29,165

Subject to the finalisation of discussions this procurement may also cover the following locality within North East Essex:

- Harwich - UDAs available - 10,329

The competitive process is expected to launch on Friday 23 January 2026, with a view to mobilisation of the new contracts from June 2026.

SNEE ICB will be hosting workshop sessions via MS Teams to confirm the vision for procurement of primary care dental services in the above areas and to provide guidance on responding to the tender. The sessions will be attended by SNEE ICB's procurement lead and members of the dental commissioning team and there will be an opportunity to ask questions.

Tuesday 20 January 2026: 1800-1900

Thursday 22 January 2026: 1300-1400

If you would like to register for one of these sessions, please email

procurement@snee.nhs.uk with your name, organisation, email address and session preference. A link to the event will be shared nearer the time.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Bury St Edmunds

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH14 - Suffolk

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Bury St Edmunds locality

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Brandon

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH14 - Suffolk

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Brandon locality

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Eye and North West Suffolk

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH14 - Suffolk

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Eye and North West Suffolk locality

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Saxmundham and North East Suffolk (including Leiston)

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH14 - Suffolk

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Saxmundham and North East Suffolk (including Leiston) locality

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Harwich

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH34 - Essex Haven Gateway

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Harwich locality - depending on outcome of further commissioning discussions - inclusion will be confirmed at the engagement events and within the procurement documentation.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

23 January 2026

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: No

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This notice is being released under the Provider Selection Regime (PSR). The awarding of any contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 do not apply to this award.

The Authority may wish to introduce additional services during the lifetime of the contract ("Contract modifications"). Such contract modifications will be contemplated where additional requirements are similar and or complementary to the services already included in the contract, at any given time. Such expansion would be by the addition of services commissioned by the Authority as named in any Contract Notice. To this end, the Bidder should be aware that after the award of contract, there is a possibility that the successful Bidder may be offered a variation to the contract in accordance with the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023.