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Planning

National Infection Prevention Control Intelligence Solution

The Common Services Agency (more commonly known as NHS National Services Scotland) (NSS)

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The Common Services Agency (more commonly known as NHS National Services Scotland) (NSS)

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NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

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Main address

http://www.nss.nhs.scot/browse/procurement-and-logistics

Buyer's address

 $\underline{https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA1188}\\ \underline{3}$

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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

National Infection Prevention Control Intelligence Solution

Reference number

NP507125

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Scottish Government and NHSScotland are exploring options for a single national Infection Prevention Control eSurveillance solution that will ensure consistent application across all of NHSScotland.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Scottish Government and NHSScotland are exploring options for a single national Infection Prevention Control eSurveillance solution that will ensure consistent application across all of NHSScotland. This will replace the existing disparate systems across Health Boards and action the recommendation set out in the Infection Prevention Workforce Strategic Plan – 2022 to 2024 'To progress the work for a national eSurveillance system for Scotland, with the support of local and national stakeholders'.

The national solution will need to:

- Integrate and be interoperable with some of the numerous NHS Scotland existing systems.
- Provide efficient local and national reporting.
- Provide real time data (e.g. providing alerts to flag identification of an infection, provide up to date reporting)
- Be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and must have an extremely high degree of resilience in order to minimise any periods of scheduled or unscheduled downtime. Vendors of future solutions should note that this resilience should include but not be limited to Failover and Disaster Recovery of the system with limited technical intervention.

This soft market test is being conducted to determine what solutions may be available, determine the scope of any future procurement to enable the delivery of a national solution, and to ascertain indicative costs.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

16 June 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

Please download the IPC eSurveillance PIN V1 from this Public Contracts Scotland prior information notice and return completed, and as instructed in the PIN, by 10:00 Monday 3 March 2025.

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