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## **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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Edinburgh

EH12 9EB

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKM - Scotland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA11883](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA11883)

**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

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## **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

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## **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

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## **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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[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=789140](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=789140).

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