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#### **Planning**

# **Provision of Managed Pathology Services**

Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
East Lancashire NHS Hospitals Trust
Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
University Hospitals Morecambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust
Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

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Buyer's address

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## I.1) Name and addresses

East Lancashire NHS Hospitals Trust

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## I.1) Name and addresses

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## I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

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## I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

In the case of joint procurement involving different countries, state applicable national procurement law

Procurement is conducted under English law

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

## I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from 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

#### Provision of Managed Pathology Services

Reference number

C220710

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85111800 - Pathology services

### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Provision of Managed Pathology Services for Lancashire & South Cumbria

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £350,000,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKD - North West (England)

#### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Lancashire and South Cumbria Pathology Service (The Service), as the collaborative pathology service of Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (LTH), East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust (ELHT), Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (BTH) and University Hospitals Morecambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust (UHMB) are notifying the market of our intention to undertake a competitive dialogue procurement exercise to select a primary managed service provider to supply the services' Pan Pathology Managed Service.

The Service also gives notification that it intends to undertake market testing prior to the

procurement, to assist with scope and future service modelling.

The future contract will be hosted on behalf of the service by Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (LTH).

The future procurement exercise is intended to result in a managed service which provides a flexible, quality and patient focused innovative service in line with best practice ensuring The Service meets the needs of its patients.

The Service is looking to partner with a primary provider to:

- underpin the ambition of The Service as an exemplar Pathology Service now and in the future
- keep pace and evolve with the rapidly changing dynamics of delivering Pathology Services

The procurement exercise is intended to find a provider who will:

- Provide a state-of-the-art solution which can support the requirements today and in the future ensuring there is flexibility to adopt innovative solutions during the term of the contract;
- Provide a solution that meets the quality and speed of testing required by our patients and clinicians and which meets local and national turnaround times;
- Deploy and expand Point of Care testing in hospitals and primary care and self-testing at home:
- Facilitate cross site working and consistent processes to allow flexibility across The Collaborative:
- Support the transformational plans across the trusts, offering the flexibility of solution to support any consolidation of testing between laboratories;

The intended outcome of the procurement exercise is to contract with a Primary Provider who agrees to the contract evolving during its life. This will require on-going assessment, implementation of innovative changes and collaborative working with the provider and potential sub-contractors over the life of the contract. The way the service looks at the end of the contract will likely be very different to the initial implementation.

The Service is using the Health Family Atamis e-tendering portal to conduct the procurement process (the "e-Tendering Portal"). The e-Tendering Portal can be accessed via the link: <a href="https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome">https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome</a>. All communications (including submission of Tenders) should be carried out via the e-Tendering Portal. The procurement documents are available for unrestricted full direct access, free of charge via the e-Tendering Portal.

## II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

5 February 2024

# **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