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## **Pre Tender Market Engagement Paper - Tender for the provision of a Hearing Aid User Support Service (HAUSS) to Empower Adult Service Users in the use of Hearing Aids following issue (4731962)**

Business Services Organisation- Procurement and Logistics Service on behalf of The Strategic Planning and Performance Group of the Department of Health Northern Ireland

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Prior information notice without call for competition

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03abb9

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Business Services Organisation- Procurement and Logistics Service on behalf of The Strategic Planning and Performance Group of the Department of Health Northern Ireland

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Armagh

BT61 7PR

#### **Email**

[PaLSSocialcare.Sourcing@hscni.net](mailto:PaLSSocialcare.Sourcing@hscni.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

**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**

Pre Tender Market Engagement Paper - Tender for the provision of a Hearing Aid User Support Service (HAUSS) to Empower Adult Service Users in the use of Hearing Aids following issue (4731962)

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

This Prior Information Notice has been published by the Procurement and Logistics Service (PaLS) Business

Services Organisation (BSO) on behalf of the Strategic Planning and Performance Group (SPPG). The PIN is to inform the market that the

SPPG are planning to procure the provision of Hearing Aid User Support Service (HAUSS) to Empower Adult Service Users in the use of

Hearing Aids following issue, and therefore, wish to carry out pre tender market engagement with interested Providers. In the interests

of transparency and equal treatment this paper-based approach i.e. Pre-Tender Market Engagement Paper, conducted in writing is being

used for the purpose of pre tender market engagement in advance of any tender process. The purpose of this exercise is to engage with

and receive feedback from the market by outlining the SPPG's proposals for the delivery of a Hearing Aid User Support Service (HAUSS) to

empower Adult Service Users in the use of Hearing Aids following issue, which includes key elements of the service, its procurement plans

and requirements. The Paper, which includes a questionnaire, will be available on eTendersNI (<https://etendersni.gov.uk>) under resource

ID:4731962

Please ensure you are registered with eTendersNI, see attached guide. Interested providers MUST submit their response to the

questionnaire via eTendersNI by 15:00 on 20 March 2023.

Any interest shown in the pre tender market engagement does not constitute a commitment to participate in a procurement exercise.

Failure to show interest does not restrict providers from participating in any future procurement exercise. This Tender is governed by the

Public Contract Regulations 2015. The service being tendered is classified as a 'Social and other specific service' therefore the Light Touch

Regime (regulations 74-77) applies

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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

30 June 2023