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Planning

MSP: Covid Outreach Programme - East of England

NHS England

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/>

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

MSP: Covid Outreach Programme - East of England

Reference number

AG24548

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This is an Intended Approach Notice to award a contract using the Most Suitable Provider Process to a provider for the delivery of Covid-19 vaccinations across the East of England region from 1st April 2025.

Please note the deadline for expressing an interest to be considered as the Most Suitable Provider is 12:00PM (Mid-day) on 4th March 2025.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH - East of England

Main site or place of performance

East of England

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NHS England is responsible for commissioning Section 7A Public Health services which include the Covid 19 vaccination programme.

The aim of this service is to deliver access and inequality schemes in relation to the delivery of the Covid 19 vaccination programme to patients in the JCVI specified target groups across the East of England, for example the WOW bus in Norfolk and Waveney or targeted community clinics in Bedfordshire, Luton and Milton Keynes.

NHS England, East of England, has reviewed the existing Covid 19 services delivered across the region's 6 ICBs (currently configured according to geographies of Mid and South Essex, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, Norfolk and Waveney, Hertfordshire and West Essex, Bedfordshire, Luton and Milton Keynes, and Suffolk, North East Essex).

To streamline our commissioning approach and ensure equity, it is our intention to consider moving to commission a single service for the East of England Region. It is our intention for this contract to commence 1st April 2025 till 31st March 2026.

The value of the service provision resulting from this Procurement Process will be:

- £7.54 for administration of each covid 19 vaccination plus an additional £2.50 where seasonal influenza is not given
- £10 per dose administered to housebound patients (this excludes patients resident in care homes)

plus an additional block amount, to be agreed.

Please note the deadline for expressing an interest to be considered as the Most Suitable Provider is 12:00PM (Mid-day) on 4th March 2025.

II.2.14) Additional information

It is the expectation of the Commissioner that all providers have read the following prior to confirming their interest in this opportunity.

JCVI Guidance:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-vaccination-in-2025-and-spring-2026-jcvi-advice/jcvi-statement-on-covid-19-vaccination-in-2025-and-spring-2026> and

Schedule 2a: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/Schedule-2A-Outreach-COVID-19-vaccination-programme-1-April-2025-to-31-March-2026.pdf> which is also available in the documents area within the e-tendering portal.

The Contract to be entered into will be in accordance with the general NHS Standard Contract issued by the Commissioner(s), which can be found at:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/full-length-nhs-standard-contract-2024-25-particulars-service-conditions-general-conditions/>

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

5 March 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

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intended approach notice. The awarding of this 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 decision makers for this process are the NHS England Public Health Oversight Group.

The intention is to award a contract using the most suitable provider process.

Confirmation will be provided as part of the next stage of the Most Suitable Provider (MSP) process and all relevant information will be provided in compliance with the Regulations.