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## **Diabetes Remission**

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

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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

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA1188 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

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https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

## 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

**Diabetes Remission** 

Reference number

NP5102-23

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

85100000 - Health services

### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

This Prior Information Notice (PIN) solely relates to early market engagement around the development of a once for Scotland: Type 2 Diabetes Remission Programme. NHS Scotland wishes to notify potential providers about its intention to commence early market engagement in advance of a potential commissioning process to support its emerging Remission Digital Pathway.

Operating a Hybrid Model, potential providers will be required to work alongside NHS Scotland care providers to deliver the Type 2 Diabetes Digital Remission Programme. The programme will seek to provide a total diet replacement product alongside a structured intensive intervention programme of support including food reintroduction and weight loss maintenance to people with type 2 diabetes in Scotland over a 2-year period.

Potential providers are encouraged to attend market engagement sessions to hear more detail on current plans, and to share insight to further inform these plans.

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

### II.2) Description

#### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85120000 Medical practice and related services
- 85100000 Health services
- 80000000 Education and training services
- 85323000 Community health services
- 85140000 Miscellaneous health services
- 85312310 Guidance services
- 85312320 Counselling services
- 15882000 Dietetic products
- 98334000 Wellness services
- 98000000 Other community, social and personal services
- 75200000 Provision of services to the community

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

· UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Locations throughout NHS Scotland

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

Medical research has demonstrated that targeted dietary intervention for people living with type 2 diabetes can achieve remission when adopting a low-calorie total diet replacement (TDR). It is envisaged that the intensive intervention programme will be a structured dietary and behaviour change intervention, supported by specialist dietitians in weight management and type 2 diabetes services.

Operating a Hybrid Model, potential providers will be required to work alongside NHS Scotland care providers to deliver the Type 2 Diabetes Digital Remission Programme. TDR is expected to be with shakes and soups (delivered directly to a patient's home). A range of digital services (online and/or app-based delivery models) are expected to support the Food Reintroduction and Weight loss maintenance phases with flexibility to allow patients to repeat stages of the intervention as determined by Healthcare professionals. Digital solutions should allow for the monitoring, recording and reporting of food and drink intake, body weight, blood pressure, glycaemic control (blood glucose

finger prick testing) daily activities (exercise type/duration/frequency). Digital solution should include emotional wellbeing tools to support self-management activities and allow patient feedback and asynchronous chat between patient and care providers.

It is anticipated the programme will be split into three phases; Total Diet Replacement for 12-20 weeks, Food Reintroduction for 6-12 weeks then Weight loss maintenance up to two years.

At this stage, the intention is that the programme will support up to 3000 participants per annum.

Interested participants are requested to complete the attached Questionnaire.

Questionnaires will be reviewed and suppliers may be invited to an engagement session. This will be held on MS Teams over the 15th and 16th March 2023. Time slots with individual suppliers will be allocated accordingly.

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

3 July 2023

## 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 project is derived from the Accelerated National Innovation Adoption (ANIA) Pathway. This is an initiative focused on using technology to fast-track proven innovations into the healthcare frontline on a Once for Scotland basis.

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