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Planning

## **Prior Information Notice for the Procurement of Specialised Critical Care Ambulance Transfer Services in the East Midlands and Adult Critical Care Ambulance Transfers Services in the West Midlands**

The NHS Commissioning Board operating as NHS England

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Prior information notice without call for competition

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02a1c3

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

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

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**NUTS code**

UKF - East Midlands (England)

**National registration number**

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**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.england.nhs.uk](http://www.england.nhs.uk)

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Supplier/Documents/Folder/28897>

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**

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Reference number

AG20057

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

- 85143000 - Ambulance services

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

Services

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

NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit (AGCSU), on behalf of the NHS England/Improvement – Regional Specialised Commissioning Team (Midlands) (here onwards known as the commissioner) would like to notify all potential providers about the upcoming opportunity to bid for Specialised Critical Care Ambulance Transfer Services in the East Midlands and Adult Critical Care Ambulance Transfers Services in the West Midlands .

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKG - West Midlands (England)

- UKF - East Midlands (England)

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

Specialised Critical Care Ambulance Transfer Services in the East Midlands and Adult Critical Care Ambulance Transfers Services in the West Midlands.

The critical care ambulance vehicle specification has been developed to deliver a standard critical care ambulance design that can be utilised by all critical care transfer services in England. The aim is to provide a vehicle that can be flexible to meet the critical care patient requirements across all age groups from neonatal, paediatric and adult. The vehicle will be able to accommodate all ages of patients from Neonates, Paediatric Critical Care, Adult Critical Care, ECMO and Bariatric patients.

The aim of the service is to provide a high quality, efficient, timely, responsive specialised critical care ambulance transport service to support the clinical delivery of time critical neonatal care, paediatric critical care and ECMO services.

The indicative procurement timetable can be found below, subject to change:

Publication of tender – w/c 17.05.2021

Deadline for submissions – w/c 28.06.2021

Evaluation period – w/c 28.06.2021 – w/c 30.08.2021

Award and standstill period – w/c 06.09.2021 – w/c 20.09.2021

Contract award and mobilisation – w/c 20.09.2021 – 31.03.2022

Service commencement – 01.04.2022

Providers interested in this opportunity will need to ensure they are registered on Contracts Finder, Find a Tender Service and/or the EU Supply procurement portal, in order to be notified when this opportunity goes live.

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

17 May 2021

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

This is purely a market engagement exercise; any subsequent procurement will be advertised separately and all organisations wanting to participate will need to respond to the procurement advertisement as and when published.

Any communication received during the market analysis exercise will not be taken into account in any future evaluation process as part of the formal procurement process.