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Planning

Theatre Scheduling Tool

The Common Services Agency (more commonly known as NHS National Services Scotland) ("NSS")

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03b258

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The Common Services Agency (more commonly known as NHS National Services Scotland) ("NSS")

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Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA1183

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

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://www.publictenderscotland.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

Theatre Scheduling Tool

Reference number

NP510123

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 48330000 - Scheduling and productivity software package

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

This Prior Information Notice (PIN) relates to early market engagement around the development of a digital platform solution(s) that can optimise pre-operative assessment, theatre capacity and increase theatre productivity.

Firstly, NHS National Services Scotland is exploring a requirement for the procurement of a digital platform solution to provide a Digital Pre-operative Assessment tool. The solution will be capable of supporting a National Pre-op Assessment online triage solution for all participating boards in NHS Scotland. The solution will provide a suite of functionality to allow patients to complete a remote pre-operative assessment questionnaire and receive support relating to the planned procedure at designated intervals.

The solution will provide healthcare professionals the ability to triage and prioritise requests and direct to the appropriate clinician or service.

Secondly, a digital platform solution is required that can improve and maximise waiting list creation that can make the planning, changing and optimisation of theatres scheduling more efficient, ensuring this helps to reduce clinical and administrative time necessary to manage lists. It is important that any platform can be fully integrated with current Electronic Patient Record systems. The system must also have the ability to accurately record cumulative procedure times as well as analysing the time for specific patients in terms of clinical urgency and the overall length of time the patient has waited.

The standardised digital platform will bring the benefits to patients and staff across 381

theatres within the 14 Territorial Health Boards, 1 National Health Board (National Waiting Times Centre Board) and 2,000 surgical Consultants across 40-50 theatre specialties in NHS Scotland.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48332000 - Scheduling software package

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

NHS Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NHS Scotland requires both a National Pre-operative Assessment online triage solution and also a digital platform that can optimise theatre capacity and increase theatre productivity.

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

24 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

Please note that this notice is for prior information only and for pre-tender supplier engagement. A date for the Contract Notice for the Tender is to be advised. When the Contract Notice for the Tender becomes available, interested parties must make a separate application for this by registering on the Public Contracts Scotland — Tenders website <https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>).

As part of this Prior Information Notice (PIN) process, we wish to engage with interested suppliers in the marketplace. To aid the process suppliers are asked to note interest by answering a questionnaire. Please see attached 2 separate questionnaires for the 2 required solutions.

Completed questionnaires must be submitted via email to heather.campbell6@nhs.scot and rebecca.cruickshanks@nhs.scot by 10am on the 24th March 2023.

The deadline for any queries or questions relating to this PIN is 13:00 on 23th March 2023.

Internal review of the questionnaire(s) may result in an engagement meeting via Teams with members of the Commodity Advisory Group. This will be held on MS Teams over the 28th and 29th March 2023. Time slots with individual suppliers will be allocated accordingly. To ensure correct correspondence in relation to Engagement Sessions, please ensure correct contact details are given in Section 2 of the completed questionnaire(s).

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=718504.

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