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Tender

Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) for Covid Tests Logistics Services to Pharmacies

Department of Health and Social Care

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02a85e

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Department of Health and Social Care

39 Victoria Street

London

SW1H 0EU

Email

pharmacy.collect.queries@dhsc.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKI32 - Westminster

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://supplierregistration.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/dps/dhsc>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://supplierregistration.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/dps/dhsc>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to 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

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) for Covid Tests Logistics Services to Pharmacies

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Testing for Coronavirus is a crucial part of the government's response to the pandemic. The national COVID-19 testing strategy has pivoted toward mass population testing. To achieve this ambition a concerted effort to mobilise a range of viable testing solutions is needed. The Test & Trace programme requires logistics capabilities to enable the storage and outbound distribution capabilities of cartons of tests to support the Government's ambition to scale up and increase the volume of testing available across all pharmacies in England from April 2021. The programme anticipates that it will need to purchase logistics solutions which provide coverage across pharmacies within England and seeks establishment of a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) as the best means by which to meet its flexible requirements for these services. This Notice invited the market to submit an application to join the DPS. A PIN (2021/S 000-006335) was issued on 29 March 2021 in relation to this DPS.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £3,328,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 64121200 - Parcel delivery services

- 85149000 - Pharmacy services
- 63122000 - Warehousing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Test & Trace programme requires logistics capabilities to enable the storage and outbound distribution capabilities of boxes of tests to support the Government's ambition to scale up and increase the volume of testing available across all pharmacies in England from April 2021. The programme anticipates that it will need to procure a logistics solution which can undertake daily deliveries to pharmacies within England (with option to cover the whole of the UK). The Test & Trace programme have therefore launched a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) as the best means by which to meet its flexible requirements for these services. The services required include, but will not be limited to, the following components:

- 1.1 Receipt, stock management and warehousing of complete test kits.
- 1.2 Temperature monitored warehousing and transport
- 1.3 Receiving ordered stock of Kits from the Authority and picking, packing and labelling of each order to be sent to pharmacies. Ordered stock from the Authority shall be Cartons on pallets;
- 1.4 Loading and despatch of Cartons to pharmacy locations in England using the Supplier's existing delivery network, in line with existing scheduled deliveries to pharmacies; and
- 1.5 Provision of operational management information relating to stock control order status and delivery tracking as required
- 1.6 Provision of a Pharmacy ordering portal.

The DPS has now been launched and is available for potential providers to submit applications. This DPS will run for an initial period of 12 months with the option to extend the DPS for a further 12 months twice. An application to join the DPS can be made using the following link: <https://supplierregistration.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/dps/dhsc> Once a potential provider registers to create an account on this site, all of the information required to submit a compliant application will be available. For any enquiries, do not hesitate to contact DHSC via NQC or pharmacy.collect.queries@dhsc.gov.uk

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £3,328,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

21 April 2021

End date

20 April 2022

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

12+12 months optional (total up to 36 months)

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Note that the total value of awards indicated in Section II.1.5 of this Notice represents the max estimated value of contracts awarded under the DPS throughout its term. DHSC estimates that the value of the initial contracts to be awarded pursuant to this DPS will be in the region of £735,858. Please contact pharmacy.collect.queries@dhsc.gov.uk for any enquiries you may have in relation to this DPS

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

20 April 2022

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Tender must be valid until: 20 April 2022

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

21 April 2021

Local time

9:00am

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

This notice is for information only, and the Department reserves the right to supplement and vary the conduct of the prior engagement process. Where this occurs, the Department will act transparently and treat all interested parties who have expressed an interest equally. The Department reserves the right to discontinue the proposed tendering process and not award the contract. The information contained in this notice, including information relating to the nature and scope of the Department's requirements, the service classification of this requirement or the list of CPV codes, is only indicative of the Department's current thinking and is neither exhaustive nor binding. The Department reserves the right at its absolute discretion to amend it at the time of issue of any further notices or at any other time. The publication of this notice in no way obliges the Department to commence with any competitive tender process. The Department is not and shall not be liable for any costs incurred by those expressing any interest in participating in the market engagement exercise advertised in this notice. Please note that expressions of interest (and applications) to join the DPS shall remain open during the term of the DPS.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

Strand

London

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generaloffice@administrativecourtoffice.justice.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/courts-tribunals>