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Tender

## **Respiratory Therapy Solutions**

NHS Shared Business Services Limited

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## **Scope**

## **Reference**

SBS10520

## **Description**

NHS Shared Business Services act in an Agency capacity for and on behalf of its customers (Approved Organisations) - existing and new. These comprise of NHS and Social Care organisations (whether acting individually, or on behalf of, or together as members of any consortia) along with any other public or private sector bodies which NHS SBS authorises to use the resulting Framework.

NHS SBS intends to put in place a Framework for the provision of Respiratory Therapy Solutions to be used by NHS SBS Approved Organisations.

Our Approved Organisation list can be found on:

<https://www.sbs.nhs.uk/services/framework-agreements-categories/>

The Framework will be structured using the following Lots:

Lot 1 - Sleep Therapy and Monitoring devices, consumables and associated services

Lot 2 - Non-Invasive Ventilation and High Flow Therapy devices, consumables and associated services

Lot 3 - Electronic Mucus Clearance Devices consumables and associated services

We are committed to working with suppliers who are dedicated to Sustainability and Social Value and there will be a significant weighting on these elements in the tender.

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<https://discovery.ariba.com/rfx/22555412>

## **Commercial tool**

Establishes an open framework

A series of frameworks with substantially the same terms. Awarded suppliers are carried over and new suppliers can bid.

## **Total value (estimated)**

- £392,000,000 excluding VAT
- £470,400,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 28 November 2025 to 27 November 2028
- 3 years

## **Options**

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

Please see the procurement documentation

## **Main procurement category**

Goods

## **CPV classifications**

- 33140000 - Medical consumables
- 33157400 - Medical breathing devices

## **Contract locations**

- UK - United Kingdom
- GG - Guernsey
- IM - Isle of Man
- JE - Jersey

## **Lot 1. Sleep Therapy and monitoring devices, consumables and associated services**

### **Description**

The Sleep Therapy and monitoring devices, consumables and associated services lot will include a comprehensive range of sleep therapy devices and monitoring equipment designed to manage sleep disorders such as sleep apnea. It includes CPAP and BiPAP machines, masks, humidifiers, and other relevant consumables and services including the remote monitoring, patient education, and support, home device and consumables delivery services, as well as maintenance and management of respiratory therapy equipment.

Bidders will deliver all the mandatory requirements as detailed in the Specification section of the Framework Agreement

There are additional Conditions of Participation (CoP), Award Questionnaire (AQ) requirements, and Bidder Declarations applicable, and Bidders are asked to respond to these also.

Where the Bidder does not score a minimum of 55% in total (AQ and total Commercial score combined) the Authority shall exclude the submission from being appointed to the framework.

NHS SBS reserves the right to award to any Bidder whose final score is within 1% of the awardable position of the Lot.

### **Lot value (estimated)**

- £392,000,000 excluding VAT
- £470,400,000 including VAT

Framework lot values may be shared with other lots

## **Same for all lots**

CPV classifications, contract locations, contract dates and options are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

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## **Lot 2. Non-Invasive Ventilation and High Flow Therapy devices, consumables and associated services**

### **Description**

The Non-Invasive Ventilation and High Flow Therapy devices, consumables and associated services will include the procurement of non-invasive ventilation (NIV) devices and accessories, high flow therapy equipment and relevant consumables and services including the remote monitoring, patient education, and support, home device and consumables delivery services, as well as maintenance and management of respiratory therapy equipment.

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## **Lot 3. Electronic Mucus Clearance Devices consumables and associated services**

### **Description**

The Electronic Mucus Clearance Devices consumables and associated services lot will include procurement of electronic mucus clearance devices designed to assist patients with respiratory conditions in effectively clearing mucus from their airways. It includes the provision of necessary consumables and associated services including maintenance and patient education services.

Bidders will deliver all the mandatory requirements as detailed in the Specification section of the Framework Agreement

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## **Framework**

### **Open framework scheme end date (estimated)**

27 November 2033

### **Maximum number of suppliers**

Unlimited

### **Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers**

2%

## **Further information about fees**

We apply an NCIS (NHS Contracted Income Stream) levy to all sales under our Frameworks, which underpins the funding and investment for our contracting routes and category support to the NHS. This levy is applied as a percentage fee within the Frameworks between the Authority and the Supplier.

Please see the Corporate Requirements document within the Key Attachments section of the SAP Ariba Sourcing Event for further details

## **Framework operation description**

There are two procurement routes for an Approved Organisation that wishes to use this Framework. A competitive process between the Suppliers in the relevant Lot, which may be preceded by a capability assessment, or an award without a competitive process to particular Supplier(s)

Schedule 7 of the Framework explains the rules for both a competitive selection process and an award without a competitive process.

A competitive selection process is the default ordering procedure under this Framework

## **Award method when using the framework**

Either with or without competition

## **Contracting authorities that may use the framework**

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Agreement for the provision of Respiratory Therapy Solutions for Healthcare to be used by NHS SBS Approved Organisations.

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## **Contracting authority location restrictions**

- UK - United Kingdom
- GG - Guernsey
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## **Participation**

### **Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation**

**Lot 1. Sleep Therapy and monitoring devices, consumables and associated services**

**Lot 2. Non-Invasive Ventilation and High Flow Therapy devices, consumables and associated services**

**Lot 3. Electronic Mucus Clearance Devices consumables and associated services**

Please see the procurement documentation

## **Technical ability conditions of participation**

**Lot 1. Sleep Therapy and monitoring devices, consumables and associated services**

**Lot 2. Non-Invasive Ventilation and High Flow Therapy devices, consumables and associated services**

**Lot 3. Electronic Mucus Clearance Devices consumables and associated services**

Please see the procurement documentation

## **Particular suitability**

**Lot 1. Sleep Therapy and monitoring devices, consumables and associated services**

**Lot 2. Non-Invasive Ventilation and High Flow Therapy devices, consumables and associated services**

**Lot 3. Electronic Mucus Clearance Devices consumables and associated services**

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

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## **Submission**

## **Enquiry deadline**

28 March 2025, 12:00pm

## **Tender submission deadline**

25 April 2025, 12:00pm

## **Submission address and any special instructions**

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## **Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

## **Languages that may be used for submission**

English

## **Award decision date (estimated)**

9 October 2025

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## Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
AQ	Quality	55%
Commercial	Price	30%
AQ Social Value	Quality	15%

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## Other information

### Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)
- Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP)

### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

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## Procedure

### Procedure type

Open procedure

## **Justification for not publishing a preliminary market engagement notice**

The Authority has carried out preliminary market engagement. A Prior Information Notice (P.I.N.) under the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 was published on 2nd October 2024 on the Find a Tender Service (<https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/031584-2024>) and a formal Request for Information (RFI) issued. Meetings with potential suppliers were subsequently held. In carrying out preliminary market engagement the Authority is satisfied that:

- (a) suppliers who participated in the preliminary market engagement have not been put at an unfair advantage, and
- (b) competition in relation to the award of the public contract is not otherwise distorted.

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## **Contracting authority**

### **NHS Shared Business Services Limited**

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDVT-6171-VHCX

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