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## **Prior Information Notice - International healthcare professionals recruitment and associated services**

Surrey and Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust on behalf of NHS Commercial Solutions

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Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-032c08

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

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

Surrey and Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust on behalf of NHS Commercial Solutions

The Atrium. Curtis Road.

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RH4 1XA

#### **Email**

[nhscs.agency@nhs.net](mailto:nhscs.agency@nhs.net)

#### **Telephone**

+44 1306646822

**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.commercialsolutions-sec.nhs.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**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

Project\_4666

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

- 79600000 - Recruitment services

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

Services

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

Surrey and Borders NHS Foundation Trust as the Contracting Authority on behalf of NHS Commercial Solutions, in collaboration with North of England Commercial Procurement Collaborative, NHS London Procurement Partnership, East of England NHS Collaborative Procurement Hub and Crown Commercial Services, working together under the banner of the Workforce Alliance exploring the feasibility of using recruitment suppliers to support Central Government Departments and all other UK (and any Crown Dependencies) Public Sector Bodies identified at VI.3) (and any future successors to these organisations), including Central Government Departments and their Arm's Length Bodies and agencies, Non Departmental Public Bodies, NHS bodies and Local Authorities, Health, Police, Fire and Rescue, Education and Devolved Administrations in successfully attracting suitable healthcare professionals from overseas.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £50,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 79600000 - Recruitment services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Although intention is that the contract will be divided into lots, the final lot structure is not yet decided and will be informed by the findings of our planned wider stakeholder and Market engagement. The agreed lot structure will be communicated in the Contract Notice and ITT.

It is intended that any resulting framework or dynamic purchasing system (DPS) will be able to meet the Healthcare and Social Care needs in line with the Long term and People Plans in relation to ethical recruitment and retention of permanent staff, covering the job roles as detailed in the links below

<https://www.nhsemployers.org/articles/national-job-profiles>

<https://www.nhsemployers.org/sites/default/files/2021-12/Job%20profile%20index%20latest%20December%202021.xlsx>

Please note, these job roles as listed are not exhaustive and will include other healthcare professionals as identified from time to time.

Any resulting framework dynamic purchasing system (DPS) will ensure that all recruitment activities will be ethical, ensure that overseas staff to be recruited are competent in their field of speciality, have English language skills to carry out their roles, ensure provision of Pastoral, training, and relocation prior to recruitment and to ensure to support a high level of retention of staff once recruited.

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

13 June 2022

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## 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

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

NHS Commercial Solutions will use an eSourcing system for this project. The eSourcing system we will use is Bravo Solutions.

Please note that, to register, you must have a valid DUNS number (as provided by Dun and Bradstreet) for the organisation which you are registering, who will be entering into a contract if invited to do so.

Please see below instructions on how to express an interest and for more information on this opportunity.

1. Please following instruction below if you need to register your company on the eSourcing portal

a) Browse to the eSourcing Portal: <https://commercialsolutions.bravosolution.co.uk> and click the link to register. Bravo Project reference = Project\_4666 and reference = PIN\_30223 Titled: "Procurement of a Framework Agreement for the provision of International Healthcare Professionals Recruitment & Associated Services."

b) Accept the terms and conditions and click 'continue' -

c) Enter your correct business and user details - Note the username you chose and click 'Save' when complete - You will shortly receive an email with your unique password (please keep this secure)

d) to express an interest - Login to the portal with the username/password - Click the 'PQQs / ITTs Open To All Suppliers' link. - Click PQQ\_1113 to access the content. - Click the 'Express Interest' button at the top of the page. - This will move the PQQ /ITT into your 'My PQQs/ My ITTs' page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only). It should be noted that this is NOT the actual PQQ stage of the procurement. System limitations mean that the label states 'PQQ' but the opportunity is NOT yet live. You will be informed if, and when, the

procurement goes live.

e) Download the EOI form, accurately complete and upload to the Attachments Folder on the portal

1. Suppliers already registered on NHS Commercial Solution's Bravo Solutions portal, please following the click on the below link which will take you through to the Project and following d) and e) instructions above.

<https://commercialsolutions.bravosolution.co.uk/go/74846340017FDAEE882D>

PLEASE NOTE: The date in II.3) is the estimated date of publication, please refer the NHS Commercial Solutions website <https://commercialsolutions.bravosolution.co.uk> for updates and monitor Tenders Electronic Daily and Contracts Finder for the publication of the OJEU contract notice.

NHS Commercial Solutions are the lead Authority, acting on behalf of 'NHS Workforce Alliance' a public sector collaboration comprising of;

NHS Commercial Solutions, it's offices are at: The Atrium, Curtis Road, Dorking, Surrey, RH4 1XA

NHS London Procurement Partnership, it's offices are at: 200 Great Dover Street, London SE1 4YB

NHS North of England Commercial Procurement Collaborative, it's offices are at: Don Valley House, Savile Street East, Sheffield, S4 7UQ

NHS East of England Collaborative Procurement Hub, it's offices are at: NHS Victoria House, Capital Park, Fulbourn, Cambridge, CB21 5XB

and

The Minister for the Cabinet Office represented by its executive agency the Crown Commercial Service (CCS), its offices are at: 9th Floor, The Capital, Old Hall Street, Liverpool L3 9PP.