

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/009801-2022>

Planning

Penile Prosthesis Surgery (for end stage erectile dysfunction)

NHS England - Specialised Commissioning

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-009801

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-032ce6

Published 12 April 2022, 4:29pm

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS England - Specialised Commissioning

80 London

London

SE1 6LH

Contact

Josselin Canevet

Email

josselin.canevet@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI - London

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/commissioning/spec-services/>

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/publictenders?B=UK>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Penile Prosthesis Surgery (for end stage erectile dysfunction)

Reference number

52080

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work 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 NHS England (referred to as the Commissioner), is undertaking a market engagement exercise to understand the current and future capacity and capability of the providers and potential providers within this specialised area. Interested parties are encouraged to register their interest and complete the market questionnaire which will provide feedback to commissioners. NHS England intends to commission the services

by splitting the requirement into 7 lots. NHS England is proposing that these lots will be split as follows (subject to the outcome of this Market Engagement Exercise) and providers are able to express an interest in providing services in more than one Lot:

LOT 1 - East of England

LOT 2 - London

LOT 3 - Midlands

LOT 4 - North East & Yorkshire

LOT 5 - North West

LOT 6 - South East

LOT 7 - South West

Penile Prosthesis surgery for end stage erectile dysfunction (ESED) is performed when a person is unable to gain or maintain an erection sufficient to allow sexual intercourse or sexual activity.

Network arrangements will be considered to provide part of the Centre's penile prosthesis surgery service where surgeons from the network provider provide an in-reach service. "In reach" surgeons must be part of the specialist penile prosthesis MDT and must meet the minimum surgical requirements as outlined in the Service Specification

(<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/1731-Service-Specification.pdf>).

This procurement is to cover the 7 NHS England and Improvement (NHS EI) regions as above. This service is expected to commence as soon as possible but in 2022/2023, depending on the outcome of the market engagement exercise.

The anticipated contract duration for this service will be 3 years with an option to extend the contract by a further 12 month period, at the Commissioner's discretion.

It is possible that as a result of this exercise, a formal tender process will not be required but instead a simpler provider selection process will be undertaken. Where it is noted that competition is absent, direct awards may be considered. All providers will be notified of next steps following the conclusion of this market engagement exercise.

This notice is to advise prospective providers in the market of the commissioner's intention to commission a new service and to provide an opportunity to engage with and participate in a market engagement questionnaire. The outcome of this market engagement will help inform commissioners of the current and future capacity and capability of the market and will be considered with other evidence to inform the commissioning approach.

NHS England (National) Specialised Commissioning is the contracting and commissioning authority for this service and will be willing to commission centres across England as part of a network arrangement.

To register your interest and access the questionnaire, please follow this link: <https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/supplier/publictenders?B=UK>

The project reference is 52080 and the closing date for submission of the completed questionnaire is: 12 noon on Wednesday 18th May 2022.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £24,744,704

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

East of England

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH - East of England

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Penile Prosthesis surgery for end stage erectile dysfunction (ESED) is performed when a person is unable to gain or maintain an erection sufficient to allow sexual intercourse or sexual activity. The causes of ESED include medical conditions such as diabetes; drug related side effects and any condition affecting the nerves or blood supply to the penis (for example pelvic or spinal trauma or pelvic surgery for cancer). The procedure is not commissioned for individuals who have not completed first and second line treatments as commissioned by Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs).

Penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery must be performed in a Highly Specialised Urology Centre (the Centre(s)) with experience in performing complex penile surgery (excluding gender re-assignment surgery) on the same site.

The centre must have a specialist penile prosthesis (ESED) Multi-disciplinary Team (MDT) which is responsible for assessing a patient's suitability for surgery and overseeing their treatment and follow up. The centre must include on site andrology/clinical nurse specialists and access to psychological support.

The Centre must be co-located with benign andrological services including surgery for Peyronie's disease (e.g. Nesbit and Lue); and have access to radiology services to support diagnostic assessment and treatment planning. The outcomes of penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery must be recorded by the centre into a national penile prosthesis (ESED) audit, currently been overseen by the British Association of Urological Surgeons (BAUS).

Network arrangements will be considered to provide part of the Centre's penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery service where surgeons from the network provider provide an in-reach service. "In reach" surgeons must be part of the specialist penile prosthesis (ESED) MDT and

must meet the minimum surgical requirements as outlined in the Service Specification (<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/1731-Service-Specification.pdf>). Each Centre must have a minimum of two urological surgeons undertaking penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery; the centre must have the capacity and ability to ensure each individual surgeon performs a minimum of 10 penile prosthesis (ESED) surgeries per annum; and the centre performs a minimum of 20 penile prosthetic (ESED) procedures. There is no delineation between primary or revision surgery in the number of procedures performed.

This procurement is to cover the 7 NHS England and Improvement (NHS EI) regions as above. This service is expected to commence as soon as possible but in 2022/2023, depending on the outcome of the market engagement exercise.

The anticipated contract duration for this service will be 3 years with an option to extend the contract by a further 12 month period, at the Commissioner's discretion.

It is possible that as a result of this exercise, a formal tender process will not be required but instead a simpler provider selection process will be undertaken. Where it is noted that competition is absent, direct awards may be considered.

All providers will be notified of next steps following the conclusion of this market engagement exercise.

This notice is to advise prospective providers in the market of the commissioner's intention to commission a new service and to provide an opportunity to engage with and participate in a market engagement questionnaire. The outcome of this market engagement will help inform commissioners of the current and future capacity and capability of the market and will be considered with other evidence to inform the commissioning approach.

NHS England (National) Specialised Commissioning is the contracting and commissioning authority for this service and will be willing to commission centres across England as part of a network arrangement.

To register your interest and access the questionnaire, please follow this link: <https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/supplier/publictenders?B=UK>

The reference is 52080 and the closing date for submission of the completed questionnaire is: 12 noon on Wednesday 18th May 2022.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

London

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Penile Prosthesis surgery for end stage erectile dysfunction (ESED) is performed when a person is unable to gain or maintain an erection sufficient to allow sexual intercourse or sexual activity. The causes of ESED include medical conditions such as diabetes; drug related side effects and any condition affecting the nerves or blood supply to the penis (for example pelvic or spinal trauma or pelvic surgery for cancer). The procedure is not commissioned for individuals who have not completed first and second line treatments as commissioned by Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs).

Penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery must be performed in a Highly Specialised Urology Centre (the Centre(s)) with experience in performing complex penile surgery (excluding gender re-assignment surgery) on the same site.

The centre must have a specialist penile prosthesis (ESED) Multi-disciplinary Team (MDT) which is responsible for assessing a patient's suitability for surgery and overseeing their treatment and follow up. The centre must include on site andrology/clinical nurse specialists and access to psychological support.

The Centre must be co-located with benign andrological services including surgery for Peyronie's disease (e.g. Nesbit and Lue); and have access to radiology services to support diagnostic assessment and treatment planning. The outcomes of penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery must be recorded by the centre into a national penile prosthesis (ESED) audit, currently been overseen by the British Association of Urological Surgeons (BAUS).

Network arrangements will be considered to provide part of the Centre's penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery service where surgeons from the network provider provide an in-reach service. "In reach" surgeons must be part of the specialist penile prosthesis (ESED) MDT and must meet the minimum surgical requirements as outlined in the Service Specification (<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/1731-Service-Specification.pdf>)

). Each Centre must have a minimum of two urological surgeons undertaking penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery; the centre must have the capacity and ability to ensure each individual surgeon performs a minimum of 10 penile prosthesis (ESED) surgeries per annum; and the centre performs a minimum of 20 penile prosthetic (ESED) procedures. There is no delineation between primary or revision surgery in the number of procedures performed.

This procurement is to cover the 7 NHS England and Improvement (NHS EI) regions as above. This service is expected to commence as soon as possible but in 2022/2023, depending on the outcome of the market engagement exercise.

The anticipated contract duration for this service will be 3 years with an option to extend the contract by a further 12 month period, at the Commissioner's discretion.

It is possible that as a result of this exercise, a formal tender process will not be required but instead a simpler provider selection process will be undertaken. Where it is noted that competition is absent, direct awards may be considered.

All providers will be notified of next steps following the conclusion of this market engagement exercise.

This notice is to advise prospective providers in the market of the commissioner's intention to commission a new service and to provide an opportunity to engage with and participate in a market engagement questionnaire. The outcome of this market engagement will help inform commissioners of the current and future capacity and capability of the market and will be considered with other evidence to inform the commissioning approach.

NHS England (National) Specialised Commissioning is the contracting and commissioning authority for this service and will be willing to commission centres across England as part of a network arrangement.

To register your interest and access the questionnaire, please follow this link: <https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/supplier/publictenders?B=UK>

The reference is 52080 and the closing date for submission of the completed questionnaire is: 12 noon on Wednesday 18th May 2022.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Midlands

Lot No

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Penile Prosthesis surgery for end stage erectile dysfunction (ESED) is performed when a person is unable to gain or maintain an erection sufficient to allow sexual intercourse or sexual activity. The causes of ESED include medical conditions such as diabetes; drug related side effects and any condition affecting the nerves or blood supply to the penis (for example pelvic or spinal trauma or pelvic surgery for cancer). The procedure is not commissioned for individuals who have not completed first and second line treatments as commissioned by Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs).

Penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery must be performed in a Highly Specialised Urology Centre (the Centre(s)) with experience in performing complex penile surgery (excluding gender re-assignment surgery) on the same site.

The centre must have a specialist penile prosthesis (ESED) Multi-disciplinary Team (MDT) which is responsible for assessing a patient's suitability for surgery and overseeing their treatment and follow up. The centre must include on site andrology/clinical nurse specialists and access to psychological support.

The Centre must be co-located with benign andrological services including surgery for Peyronie's disease (e.g. Nesbit and Lue); and have access to radiology services to support diagnostic assessment and treatment planning. The outcomes of penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery must be recorded by the centre into a national penile prosthesis (ESED) audit, currently been overseen by the British Association of Urological Surgeons (BAUS).

Network arrangements will be considered to provide part of the Centre's penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery service where surgeons from the network provider provide an in-reach service. "In reach" surgeons must be part of the specialist penile prosthesis (ESED) MDT and must meet the minimum surgical requirements as outlined in the Service Specification

(<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/1731-Service-Specification.pdf>

). Each Centre must have a minimum of two urological surgeons undertaking penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery; the centre must have the capacity and ability to ensure each individual surgeon performs a minimum of 10 penile prosthesis (ESED) surgeries per annum; and the centre performs a minimum of 20 penile prosthetic (ESED) procedures. There is no delineation between primary or revision surgery in the number of procedures performed.

This procurement is to cover the 7 NHS England and Improvement (NHS EI) regions as above. This service is expected to commence as soon as possible but in 2022/2023, depending on the outcome of the market engagement exercise.

The anticipated contract duration for this service will be 3 years with an option to extend the contract by a further 12 month period, at the Commissioner's discretion.

It is possible that as a result of this exercise, a formal tender process will not be required but instead a simpler provider selection process will be undertaken. Where it is noted that competition is absent, direct awards may be considered.

All providers will be notified of next steps following the conclusion of this market engagement exercise.

This notice is to advise prospective providers in the market of the commissioner's intention to commission a new service and to provide an opportunity to engage with and participate in a market engagement questionnaire. The outcome of this market engagement will help inform commissioners of the current and future capacity and capability of the market and will be considered with other evidence to inform the commissioning approach.

NHS England (National) Specialised Commissioning is the contracting and commissioning authority for this service and will be willing to commission centres across England as part of a network arrangement.

To register your interest and access the questionnaire, please follow this link: <https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/supplier/publictenders?B=UK>

The reference is 52080 and the closing date for submission of the completed questionnaire is: 12 noon on Wednesday 18th May 2022.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

North East & Yorkshire

Lot No

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Penile Prosthesis surgery for end stage erectile dysfunction (ESED) is performed when a person is unable to gain or maintain an erection sufficient to allow sexual intercourse or sexual activity. The causes of ESED include medical conditions such as diabetes; drug related side effects and any condition affecting the nerves or blood supply to the penis (for example pelvic or spinal trauma or pelvic surgery for cancer). The procedure is not commissioned for individuals who have not completed first and second line treatments as commissioned by Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs).

Penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery must be performed in a Highly Specialised Urology Centre (the Centre(s)) with experience in performing complex penile surgery (excluding gender re-assignment surgery) on the same site.

The centre must have a specialist penile prosthesis (ESED) Multi-disciplinary Team (MDT) which is responsible for assessing a patient's suitability for surgery and overseeing their treatment and follow up. The centre must include on site andrology/clinical nurse specialists and access to psychological support.

The Centre must be co-located with benign andrological services including surgery for Peyronie's disease (e.g. Nesbit and Lue); and have access to radiology services to support diagnostic assessment and treatment planning. The outcomes of penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery must be recorded by the centre into a national penile prosthesis (ESED) audit, currently been overseen by the British Association of Urological Surgeons (BAUS).

Network arrangements will be considered to provide part of the Centre's penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery service where surgeons from the network provider provide an in-reach service. "In reach" surgeons must be part of the specialist penile prosthesis (ESED) MDT and must meet the minimum surgical requirements as outlined in the Service Specification

(<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/1731-Service-Specification.pdf>

). Each Centre must have a minimum of two urological surgeons undertaking penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery; the centre must have the capacity and ability to ensure each individual surgeon performs a minimum of 10 penile prosthesis (ESED) surgeries per annum; and the centre performs a minimum of 20 penile prosthetic (ESED) procedures. There is no delineation between primary or revision surgery in the number of procedures performed.

This procurement is to cover the 7 NHS England and Improvement (NHS EI) regions as above. This service is expected to commence as soon as possible but in 2022/2023, depending on the outcome of the market engagement exercise.

The anticipated contract duration for this service will be 3 years with an option to extend the contract by a further 12 month period, at the Commissioner's discretion.

It is possible that as a result of this exercise, a formal tender process will not be required but instead a simpler provider selection process will be undertaken. Where it is noted that competition is absent, direct awards may be considered.

All providers will be notified of next steps following the conclusion of this market engagement exercise.

This notice is to advise prospective providers in the market of the commissioner's intention to commission a new service and to provide an opportunity to engage with and participate in a market engagement questionnaire. The outcome of this market engagement will help inform commissioners of the current and future capacity and capability of the market and will be considered with other evidence to inform the commissioning approach.

NHS England (National) Specialised Commissioning is the contracting and commissioning authority for this service and will be willing to commission centres across England as part of a network arrangement.

To register your interest and access the questionnaire, please follow this link: <https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/supplier/publictenders?B=UK>

The reference is 52080 and the closing date for submission of the completed questionnaire is: 12 noon on Wednesday 18th May 2022.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

North West

Lot No

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Penile Prosthesis surgery for end stage erectile dysfunction (ESED) is performed when a person is unable to gain or maintain an erection sufficient to allow sexual intercourse or sexual activity. The causes of ESED include medical conditions such as diabetes; drug related side effects and any condition affecting the nerves or blood supply to the penis (for example pelvic or spinal trauma or pelvic surgery for cancer). The procedure is not commissioned for individuals who have not completed first and second line treatments as commissioned by Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs).

Penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery must be performed in a Highly Specialised Urology Centre (the Centre(s)) with experience in performing complex penile surgery (excluding gender re-assignment surgery) on the same site.

The centre must have a specialist penile prosthesis (ESED) Multi-disciplinary Team (MDT) which is responsible for assessing a patient's suitability for surgery and overseeing their treatment and follow up. The centre must include on site andrology/clinical nurse specialists and access to psychological support.

The Centre must be co-located with benign andrological services including surgery for Peyronie's disease (e.g. Nesbit and Lue); and have access to radiology services to support diagnostic assessment and treatment planning. The outcomes of penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery must be recorded by the centre into a national penile prosthesis (ESED) audit, currently been overseen by the British Association of Urological Surgeons (BAUS).

Network arrangements will be considered to provide part of the Centre's penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery service where surgeons from the network provider provide an in-reach service. "In reach" surgeons must be part of the specialist penile prosthesis (ESED) MDT and must meet the minimum surgical requirements as outlined in the Service Specification (<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/1731-Service-Specification.pdf>). Each Centre must have a minimum of two urological surgeons undertaking penile

prosthesis (ESED) surgery; the centre must have the capacity and ability to ensure each individual surgeon performs a minimum of 10 penile prosthesis (ESED) surgeries per annum; and the centre performs a minimum of 20 penile prosthetic (ESED) procedures. There is no delineation between primary or revision surgery in the number of procedures performed.

This procurement is to cover the 7 NHS England and Improvement (NHS EI) regions as above. This service is expected to commence as soon as possible but in 2022/2023, depending on the outcome of the market engagement exercise.

The anticipated contract duration for this service will be 3 years with an option to extend the contract by a further 12 month period, at the Commissioner's discretion.

It is possible that as a result of this exercise, a formal tender process will not be required but instead a simpler provider selection process will be undertaken. Where it is noted that competition is absent, direct awards may be considered.

All providers will be notified of next steps following the conclusion of this market engagement exercise.

This notice is to advise prospective providers in the market of the commissioner's intention to commission a new service and to provide an opportunity to engage with and participate in a market engagement questionnaire. The outcome of this market engagement will help inform commissioners of the current and future capacity and capability of the market and will be considered with other evidence to inform the commissioning approach.

NHS England (National) Specialised Commissioning is the contracting and commissioning authority for this service and will be willing to commission centres across England as part of a network arrangement.

To register your interest and access the questionnaire, please follow this link: <https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/supplier/publictenders?B=UK>

The reference is 52080 and the closing date for submission of the completed questionnaire is: 12 noon on Wednesday 18th May 2022.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

South East

Lot No

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ - South East (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Penile Prosthesis surgery for end stage erectile dysfunction (ESED) is performed when a person is unable to gain or maintain an erection sufficient to allow sexual intercourse or sexual activity. The causes of ESED include medical conditions such as diabetes; drug related side effects and any condition affecting the nerves or blood supply to the penis (for example pelvic or spinal trauma or pelvic surgery for cancer). The procedure is not commissioned for individuals who have not completed first and second line treatments as commissioned by Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs).

Penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery must be performed in a Highly Specialised Urology Centre (the Centre(s)) with experience in performing complex penile surgery (excluding gender re-assignment surgery) on the same site.

The centre must have a specialist penile prosthesis (ESED) Multi-disciplinary Team (MDT) which is responsible for assessing a patient's suitability for surgery and overseeing their treatment and follow up. The centre must include on site andrology/clinical nurse specialists and access to psychological support.

The Centre must be co-located with benign andrological services including surgery for Peyronie's disease (e.g. Nesbit and Lue); and have access to radiology services to support diagnostic assessment and treatment planning. The outcomes of penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery must be recorded by the centre into a national penile prosthesis (ESED) audit, currently been overseen by the British Association of Urological Surgeons (BAUS).

Network arrangements will be considered to provide part of the Centre's penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery service where surgeons from the network provider provide an in-reach service. "In reach" surgeons must be part of the specialist penile prosthesis (ESED) MDT and must meet the minimum surgical requirements as outlined in the Service Specification (<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/1731-Service-Specification.pdf>). Each Centre must have a minimum of two urological surgeons undertaking penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery; the centre must have the capacity and ability to ensure each individual surgeon performs a minimum of 10 penile prosthesis (ESED) surgeries per annum; and the centre performs a minimum of 20 penile prosthetic (ESED) procedures. There is no

delineation between primary or revision surgery in the number of procedures performed.

This procurement is to cover the 7 NHS England and Improvement (NHS EI) regions as above. This service is expected to commence as soon as possible but in 2022/2023, depending on the outcome of the market engagement exercise.

The anticipated contract duration for this service will be 3 years with an option to extend the contract by a further 12 month period, at the Commissioner's discretion.

It is possible that as a result of this exercise, a formal tender process will not be required but instead a simpler provider selection process will be undertaken. Where it is noted that competition is absent, direct awards may be considered.

All providers will be notified of next steps following the conclusion of this market engagement exercise.

This notice is to advise prospective providers in the market of the commissioner's intention to commission a new service and to provide an opportunity to engage with and participate in a market engagement questionnaire. The outcome of this market engagement will help inform commissioners of the current and future capacity and capability of the market and will be considered with other evidence to inform the commissioning approach.

NHS England (National) Specialised Commissioning is the contracting and commissioning authority for this service and will be willing to commission centres across England as part of a network arrangement.

To register your interest and access the questionnaire, please follow this link: <https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/supplier/publictenders?B=UK>

The reference is 52080 and the closing date for submission of the completed questionnaire is: 12 noon on Wednesday 18th May 2022.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

South West

Lot No

7

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK - South West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Penile Prosthesis surgery for end stage erectile dysfunction (ESED) is performed when a person is unable to gain or maintain an erection sufficient to allow sexual intercourse or sexual activity. The causes of ESED include medical conditions such as diabetes; drug related side effects and any condition affecting the nerves or blood supply to the penis (for example pelvic or spinal trauma or pelvic surgery for cancer). The procedure is not commissioned for individuals who have not completed first and second line treatments as commissioned by Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs).

Penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery must be performed in a Highly Specialised Urology Centre (the Centre(s)) with experience in performing complex penile surgery (excluding gender re-assignment surgery) on the same site.

The centre must have a specialist penile prosthesis (ESED) Multi-disciplinary Team (MDT) which is responsible for assessing a patient's suitability for surgery and overseeing their treatment and follow up. The centre must include on site andrology/clinical nurse specialists and access to psychological support.

The Centre must be co-located with benign andrological services including surgery for Peyronie's disease (e.g. Nesbit and Lue); and have access to radiology services to support diagnostic assessment and treatment planning. The outcomes of penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery must be recorded by the centre into a national penile prosthesis (ESED) audit, currently been overseen by the British Association of Urological Surgeons (BAUS).

Network arrangements will be considered to provide part of the Centre's penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery service where surgeons from the network provider provide an in-reach service. "In reach" surgeons must be part of the specialist penile prosthesis (ESED) MDT and must meet the minimum surgical requirements as outlined in the Service Specification (<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/1731-Service-Specification.pdf>). Each Centre must have a minimum of two urological surgeons undertaking penile prosthesis (ESED) surgery; the centre must have the capacity and ability to ensure each individual surgeon performs a minimum of 10 penile prosthesis (ESED) surgeries per annum; and the centre performs a minimum of 20 penile prosthetic (ESED) procedures. There is no delineation between primary or revision surgery in the number of procedures performed.

This procurement is to cover the 7 NHS England and Improvement (NHS EI) regions as above. This service is expected to commence as soon as possible but in 2022/2023, depending on the outcome of the market engagement exercise.

The anticipated contract duration for this service will be 3 years with an option to extend the contract by a further 12 month period, at the Commissioner's discretion.

It is possible that as a result of this exercise, a formal tender process will not be required but instead a simpler provider selection process will be undertaken. Where it is noted that competition is absent, direct awards may be considered.

All providers will be notified of next steps following the conclusion of this market engagement exercise.

This notice is to advise prospective providers in the market of the commissioner's intention to commission a new service and to provide an opportunity to engage with and participate in a market engagement questionnaire. The outcome of this market engagement will help inform commissioners of the current and future capacity and capability of the market and will be considered with other evidence to inform the commissioning approach.

NHS England (National) Specialised Commissioning is the contracting and commissioning authority for this service and will be willing to commission centres across England as part of a network arrangement.

To register your interest and access the questionnaire, please follow this link: <https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/supplier/publictenders?B=UK>

The reference is 52080 and the closing date for submission of the completed questionnaire is: 12 noon on Wednesday 18th May 2022.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

13 April 2022

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

