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# Naloxone & Alternative Opioid Antagonists - Buffer Stock Storage & Management

Department of Health and Social Care

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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

#### Contact

Darrell Griffith

#### **Email**

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#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

### Region 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

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://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome

# 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

Naloxone & Alternative Opioid Antagonists - Buffer Stock Storage & Management

Reference number

C260521

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 33600000 - Pharmaceutical products

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

#### II.1.4) Short description

Market engagement exercise to assess the current and future capacity of the UK market to provide naloxone and potential alternative opioid antagonists.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £500,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## II.2) Description

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

- 33600000 Pharmaceutical products
- 33670000 Medicinal products for the respiratory system

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKI32 - Westminster

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

DHSC is conducting a market engagement exercise to understand more about the companies and services in the UK that can, or that are seeking to produce, distribute, supply and store different formulations of naloxone and of other drugs that can reverse the effect of an opioid overdose or of drugs taken with opioids.

The outcome of the market engagement will inform decisions around potential future procurement and storage of buffer stock as well as providing information on how the market could meet a potential increase in demand across the UK.

#### II.2.14) Additional information

For avoidance of doubt this is not a call for competition, the purpose is to seek feedback from the market that may inform the final specification and/or procurement approach to the goods and services.

It is essential to understand that this market engagement process is separate from the formal procurement process. When the formal procurement process begins through the publication of a contract notice, any supplier interested in the contractual opportunity must submit a tender, and all supplier bids will be evaluated on an equal basis and in accordance with the set criteria.

The market engagement brief and associated questionnaire can be found here: <a href="https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/b702d08b-f9d2-4f4b-8324-726e540e6177">https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/b702d08b-f9d2-4f4b-8324-726e540e6177</a>

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

1 July 2024

## 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