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Planning

NHS England and NHS Improvement - Independent Clinical Reviews into Deaths in Custody – South East Health & Justice, Detained Estates

The NHS Commissioning Board (operating under the name of NHS England)

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The NHS Commissioning Board (operating under the name of NHS England)

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/>

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

<http://health.atamis.co.uk>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

NHS England and NHS Improvement - Independent Clinical Reviews into Deaths in Custody – South East Health & Justice, Detained Estates

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This notice is placed as a Prior Information Notice in order to facilitate engagement with potential providers and relates only to a pre-procurement market engagement.

NHS England and NHS Improvement South East (NHSE/I SE) is seeking a Provider who has the capability and capacity to undertake independent investigations into the deaths, due to any cause, of the prisoners in secure and detained settings across the South East region. This includes, Thames Valley, Isle of Wight, Winchester, Sussex, Kent and Surrey. The purpose of the clinical review is to assess the healthcare the deceased received whilst in custody and the review will form part of the Prison and Probation Ombudsman (PPO) investigation and subsequent PPO report.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 66162000 - Custody services
- 75231230 - Prison services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ - South East (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The clinical review includes past and current medical history and any significant clinical events leading up to the death of the individual, and particularly examines and assesses the equivalence of quality of care and access to care in custody as compared to what the individual could have expected in the community.

The aims of the Service are:

- To provide high quality reviews into deaths in custody;
- To identify opportunities for learning and service improvement;
- To work effectively in partnership with, but not limited to, the SE NHSE H&J Commissioners, SE H&J Nursing & Quality Team, PPO, Healthcare Providers, Custodial Providers – HM Prison and Probation Service (HMPPS), Youth Custody Service (YCS),

HM Courts and Tribunals Service (HMCTS), and Private Operators and the Home Office (HO);

- To produce clinical reviews that are accessible and meaningful for family members of the deceased as well as healthcare professionals;
- To support the overall PPO investigation process into deaths in custody.

The service will be provided following the death in custody or detention of an inmates and detainees within the South East Detained Estates establishments as listed below:

- Prisons
- Young Offenders' Institutions (YOIs)
- Secure Training Centres (STCs)
- Immigration Removal Centres (IRCs),
- Short-Term Holding Centres
- Detainees being moved under escort

Please see 'Additional Information' below for list of establishments which currently fall within scope.

The contract term is anticipated to be 3 years with the option to extend for a further 3 years.

NHSE/I would like to determine the level of interest in these services, following which they are likely to undertake subsequent market engagement either in the form of a virtual event, or as 1-2-1 meetings with providers, depending on the level of interest.

This process is being carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioners.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

27 June 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

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Thames Valley

- HMP Grendon
- HMP Springhill
- HMP Huntercombe
- HMP Bullingdon
- HMYOI Aylesbury

IoW

- HMP Isle of Wight

Winchester

- HMP Winchester

Sussex

- HMP Lewes
- HMP Ford

Kent - Isle of Sheppey

- HMP Elmley
- HMP Stanford Hill
- HMP Swaleside

West Kent

- HMP/ YOI East Sutton Park
- HMP Maidstone
- HMP/YOI Rochester

Kent

- HMYOI Cookham Wood

Surrey

- HMP Send
- HMP Downview
- HMP Bronzefield
- HMP Coldingley
- HMP High Down

Gatwick

- Gatwick IRC (Brook House & Tinsley House)

This notice is an information gathering exercise rather than a call for competition in its own right, and therefore publication or response does not commit the Authority or respondents to a future procurement, nor provide any process exemptions or preferential treatment to any parties expressing an interest. The Authority will not be liable for costs incurred by any interested party in participating in this exercise.

If you are interested in providing these services, please express an interest via Atamis. To register your expression of interest, please complete and submit the Market Engagement Questionnaire, available as an online questionnaire within Atamis. On registration, please include at least two contacts to allow for access to the system in times of absence.

The services are healthcare services falling within Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ("the Regulations") which are not subject to the full regime of the Regulations, but is instead governed by the "Light Touch Regime" contained within Chapter 3, Section 7 of the Regulations (Regulations 74 to 77).

Any future tendering process will be conducted in accordance with the requirements and flexibilities provided by Articles 74 to 76 of the Directive, and Regulations 74 to 76 of the Regulations. The Authority will run a transparent tender process, treating all Bidders equally. For the avoidance of doubt, the Authority will not be bound by the Regulations or any other regulations or legislation except for the specific parts or circumstances that apply to the procurement of these Services.