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Planning

Solihull Wheelchair Service

NHS Birmingham and Solihull Clinical Commissioning Group

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/68205>

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/PublicPurchase/37976/0/0?returnUrl=ctm/Supplier/publictenders&b=AGCSU>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Solihull Wheelchair Service

Reference number

44564

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NOTE - This notice is for a market engagement event only.

NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands CSU, on behalf of NHS Birmingham and Solihull CCG are keen to canvas the views of suitably qualified and experienced providers of wheelchair services in order to understand the market's views in terms of the proposed service specification coupled with the anticipated activity and funding envelope. As such, the CCG is providing a number of documents with regard to the proposed service including the service specification and current activity. In order to assist the CCG with their preparations, providers are asked to complete a short questionnaire when registering their interest. The event will be held virtually on 15th June 2021 between 9am and 10.30am. There will then be an opportunity for providers to have one-to-one sessions with the Commissioners if they wish.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £2,160,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33193120 - Wheelchairs
- 33193121 - Motorised wheelchairs
- 50421100 - Repair and maintenance services of wheelchairs

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG32 - Solihull

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Within Birmingham and Solihull CCG there are currently two wheelchair services in operation, the Birmingham Wheelchair Service (BWS) and the Solihull Wheelchair Service (SWS). Birmingham and Solihull CCG intend to re-procure the Solihull Wheelchair Service as the current provider has handed in their notice. A replacement service therefore needs to be in place and fully operational before April 2022.

In 2019/20, Solihull Wheelchair Service records indicated 5200 registered service users. There were around 709 new referrals and 363 re-referrals per annum. As of 26th May 2021, there were 241 open episodes of care. The service is currently provided from the Better Living Centre, service users' homes or school, hospice or hospital settings. It is anticipated that the Better Living Centre will not be available to the newly appointed provider, so new premises will need to be sought for the service going forward.

II.2.14) Additional information

This is a market engagement exercise only and does not commit the Commissioners to carry out a procurement process. Please note that whilst there may be an opportunity to comment on various aspects of the service, the Commissioners are not obliged to incorporate comments received.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

30 July 2021

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