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Planning NHS Mobile and Alternative Dental Services

NHS England

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS England

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LS1 4AP

Contact

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region 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

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

NHS Mobile and Alternative Dental Services

Reference number

C264586

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS England has published this Prior Information Notice in relation to the NHS Mobile and Alternative Dental Services.

The Covid-19 pandemic impacted provisions of dental services and although recent data indicates some improvement, there remains more work to be done to improve provisions across England.

In February 2024, NHS England and the Department for Health and Social Care (DHSC) launched a joint Dental Recovery Plan to provide more than 1.5 million additional NHS dentistry treatments or 2.5 million NHS dentistry appointments. Included in the plan is the commitment to deploy mobile dental vans to contribute to a proportion of these targets, as well as 'offering appointments to patients in targeted rural and coastal communities, starting later this year in the most under-served areas.'

NHS England is therefore keen to understand the range of services available to achieve this and to realise the ambitions of the Dental Recovery Plan.

We are aware of the limited availability of vans and workforce to deliver mobile dental services and so alongside the provision of vans and/or workforce, we are exploring other options such as (but not limited to), the provision of non-van solutions, including the use of local facilities for pop-up services. We are keen to think creatively on how we can best support this target population.

Further information regarding this project can be found on Atamis e-sourcing portal <u>https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome</u>.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85130000 Dental practice and related services
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II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

3 June 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