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Tender

Framework Agreement for Capsule Endoscopy Managed Services

Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

The eligible users of the proposed framework agreement are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge at: www.nhssourcing.co.uk

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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Chester

CH2 1UL

Email

paul.jones63@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKD63 - Cheshire West and Chester

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

I.1) Name and addresses

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UK

Email

info@coch-cps.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.nhssourcing.co.uk

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

www.nhssourcing.co.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.nhssourcing.co.uk

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to 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

Framework Agreement for Capsule Endoscopy Managed Services

Reference number

F06/CEMS/22/PJ

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85150000 - Medical imaging services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust's Commercial Procurement Service (CPS) wishes to award a national framework agreement for the provision of a capsule endoscopy managed service which will allow NHS authorities and other public sector bodies to procure the services from a compliant purchasing framework.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £40,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33168000 - Endoscopy, endosurgery devices

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Capsule endoscopy is a diagnostic test used to examine the gastrointestinal tract and check for disorders and conditions such as Crohn's disease, polyps and malabsorption. The procedure is an alternative to traditional endoscopy and could provide a better patient experience.

The patient is prepared by attaching sensors to their abdomen. Sedation or anaesthesia are not needed before taking the capsule. The capsule is swallowed with water. The capsule has its own camera and light and takes a series of images. While the capsule passes through the body, it sends images to a data recorder which is typically worn in a shoulder bag, close to the waist. Patients can go about their normal routine and the entire procedure takes about eight hours.

Afterwards, images from the data recorder are downloaded and analysed to provide a report to the patient's consultant, who will review it with the patient. The capsule is disposable and will pass through the body naturally with bowel movement.

The procedure, and the reporting process, can be undertaken outside of a hospital setting. This can be more convenient for the patient, and free up hospital space.

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £40,000,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Term of this Framework Agreement shall be two (2) years from the Commencement Date and may be extended for up to a further two (2) years in yearly increments provided that the duration of this Framework Agreement shall be no longer than four (4) years in total.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

27 June 2022

Local time

1:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

29 June 2022

Local time

1:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

How to express interest and bid for this opportunity

- 1) Browse to the esourcing portal <https://www.nhssourcing.co.uk> and click on view current opportunities;
- 2) Select the title of the ITT.
- 3) Review the ITT, framework agreement specification, prerequisites and list of eligible users (you may do this without registering).
- 4) Register your organisation on the eSourcing portal (this is only required once).
- 5) Accept the portal terms and conditions and click 'continue', enter your organisation and user details; note the username you chose and click 'Save' when complete; you will shortly receive an e-mail with your unique password (please keep this secure);
- 6) Login to the portal with the username/password.
- 7) Click the 'PQs/ITTs Open To All Suppliers' link (These are pre-qualification

questionnaires or invitations to tender open to any registered supplier).

8) Click on the relevant PQQ/ITT to access the content.

9) Click the 'Express Interest' button at the top of the page. This will move the PQQ/ITT into your 'My PQQs/My ITTs' page (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only). You can now access any attachments by clicking 'Buyer Attachments' in the 'PQQ/ITT Details' box.

10) Responding to the ITT. Click 'My Response' under 'PQQ/ITT Details', you can choose to 'Create Response' or to 'Decline to Respond' (please give a reason if declining). You can now use the messages function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification. Note the deadline for completion, then follow the on-screen instructions to complete the ITT. There may be a mixture of online and offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed online help available). You must then submit your reply using the 'Submit Response' button at the top of the page. If you require any further assistance please consult the online help or contact the eTendering help desk.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom