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Planning

New Radiopharmaceutical Production Unit

Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

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Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://www.guysandstthomas.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

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

New Radiopharmaceutical Production Unit

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85149000 - Pharmacy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Authority, Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust (GSTT) is seeking expressions of interest from strategic and operational industry partners for the provision of Radiopharmacy (RP) services which ensure the realisation of the service's ambition:

'To develop a new, purpose-built, GMP compliant Radiopharmaceutical Production Unit for the aseptic manufacture of radiopharmaceuticals. The unit is to realise the productivity and commercial potential of the Radiopharmacy department and become an exemplar NHS Nuclear Medicine Unit providing training and education opportunities to the next generation of Radiopharmacists. '

The Unit will ensure equity of patient access to the increasing pipeline of RP diagnostics and therapeutics over the next 15-20 years and deliver the most innovative clinical research at its Investigational Medicinal Products (IMP) and Specials licensed facilities.

Radiopharmacy sits in the Integrated and Specialist Medicine (ISM) directorate at GSTT, within CLIMP (Clinical Imaging and Medical Physics), and is part of the Nuclear Medicine Department based in the Borough Wing at Guy's Hospital. The unit manufactures tracers used in diagnostics scans, which are used to detect a wide range of conditions (including injuries; infections; tumours; heart disease; thyroid abnormalities; and kidney conditions) and also guide some cancer procedures.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £50,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 09343000 - Radioactive materials

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

Main site or place of performance

Within suitable distance from GSTT for radioactive diagnostics and treatments to be administered

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Aim of this PIN is to notify the Radio Pharmacy manufacturing market of our intention to commission a Managed Service Agreement for a new aseptic manufacturing unit. Guys and St Thomas NHS Foundation trust's generic principals for MSAs

1. The Trust gives no guarantee around patient activity / volumes.
2. The providers realise returns on any capital investment through service revenues
3. The Provider takes the risk of under payment
4. The Trust takes risk of over payment
5. The trust is to maintain clinician choice where possible i.e. For consumables, equipment, etc that is supplied by the Managed Service Provider.

This is a vital stage of our scoping as industry have the opportunity to influence shape the business model of a new Radio Pharmacy manufacturing unit. Significant capital investment will need to be provided by industry to build a new, future proof unit, equipment and consumables. Full or part service management will also include logistics and distribution and the authority will favour those industry partners that recognise the value of Research, clinical studies, education and training. At time of writing there are no available locations at either Guys or St Thomas for a new manufacturing unit and so a location will need to be identified. There is no capital available from GSTT.

To get involved in this PIN (IMPORTANT): Please undertake the following steps:

1. Contact Patric Lemagnen (contact details in this notice), and state you are a supplier who is wanting to get involved in this pre-market engagement exercise.
2. Please provide your company details, along with a contact person and email address (this will be the email address which is then added to Atamis).
3. Once you have access to the PIN document on Atamis (saved in the Documents section of the project you'll be added to), please complete the PIN Questionnaire (Section 2; pages 5-6 of the document) and upload your response as an attachment to a message on Atamis.
4. If we have any further questions, or decide to host a supplier engagement event off the back of the responses, we will reach out to you directly.

II.2.14) Additional information

Once PIN responses have been received, consolidated and diffused across the senior stakeholders at Guys and St Thomas, an outline business case and the frame work for a specification will commence that will be take into account industry-responses. A formal competitive procurement process will commence later this year and into 2024.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 November 2023

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

PIN responses by Thurs 29th June.