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NHS East Midlands Integrated Care Boards Dental Commissioning Plans 2026/27

NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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<https://www.notts.icb.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://atamis-1928.my.site.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

NHS East Midlands Integrated Care Boards Dental Commissioning Plans 2026/27

Reference number

AG25037

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85130000 - Dental practice and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This is a Prior Information Notice (PIN)

East Midlands Primary Care Team on behalf of the NHS East Midlands Integrated Care Boards (the Commissioners) is carrying out a Pre Market Engagement (PME) exercise for the commissioning of NHS Dental Services and Lincolnshire NHS Primary Care Dentistry supporting Dental Workforce Training and Education.

NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit (AGCSU) on behalf of NHS East Midlands Integrated Care Boards is placing this Prior Information Notice (PIN) in relation to a pre-procurement market questionnaire regarding the provision of NHS Dental Services and Lincolnshire NHS Primary Care Dentistry supporting Dental Workforce Training and Education. This will be used as a conduit to obtain feedback from the market to ascertain market capability and interest in the opportunity.

NHS East Midlands Integrated Care Boards would like to inform the market and seek feedback on the potential commissioning opportunity for the provision of NHS Dental Services and Lincolnshire NHS Primary Care Dentistry supporting Dental Workforce Training and Education.

The feedback aims to achieve several critical objectives:

- **Assessing Market Capability:** Understanding the capability of the market is essential for the commissioners to ensure that the proposed services can be delivered efficiently and

effectively. Feedback from providers will help identify any potential challenges or gaps in the market, allowing for adjustments to be made to the procurement strategy or service requirements.

- Gauge Interest Levels: The feedback process is a crucial step in measuring the level of interest among potential providers. This information helps in planning the procurement process, ensuring sufficient competition, and potentially identifying innovative approaches or solutions from different providers

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

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKF1 - Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire

Main site or place of performance

East Midlands region

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The objectives of the dental service would be:

- To provide an agreed level of dental access and new NHS dental appointments to communities.
- To provide NHS dental services to patients who do not have a regular NHS dental care provider including the provision of urgent dental care appointments.
- To improve the oral health of patients treated.
- To promote inclusive healthcare and support early intervention, with timely treatment, and oral health advice and develop and deliver targeted oral health programmes.
- To develop services in line with the evolving strategic approach to primary care dental provision and align with the priorities of the NHS 10 Year Health Plan for England.

We wish to invite suitably qualified and experienced providers to complete this market assessment questionnaire, Providers who wish to express their interest and complete the questionnaire can follow the below link

<https://health-family-contract-search.secure.force.com/?searchtype=Projects>

Please note the deadline to complete the questionnaire is 10:00am on 19th March 2026.

II.2.14) Additional information

This is purely an early engagement exercise; any subsequent procurement will be advertised separately and all organisations wanting to participate will need to respond to the procurement advertisement as and when published.

This is a market testing exercise and does not commit the Commissioners to carry out a procurement process. Current services will remain in place during this period in line with existing contracts and service level agreements.

The procurement will be advertised in accordance with the Provider Selection Regime(PSR) Notice. The awarding of this contract will be subject to the HealthCare Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Procurement Act 2023 will not apply to this award.

The Contracting Authority will be using an eTendering system for this market engagement exercise. To express an interest and access the questionnaire go to the 'Live Opportunities' list on the e-tendering portal at the following link: <https://health-family-contract-search.secure.force.com/?searchtype=Projects> and register your interest.

You can search for the opportunity by entering the following contract reference:

C425024- NHS East Midlands Integrated Care Boards Dental Commissioning Plans 2026/27

Please note the deadline to complete the questionnaire is 10:00am on 19th March 2026.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

19 February 2026

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: No