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Tender

## **National HIV/Syphilis self-sampling and self-testing Framework**

Department of Health and Social Care

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-017423

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-0337f3

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**NUTS code**

UKI32 - Westminster

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

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**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

National HIV/Syphilis self-sampling and self-testing Framework

Reference number

C72182

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The Department of Health and Social Care is The Department of Health and Social Care is seeking to establish a national Framework Agreement with a single contractor to provide HIV sand Syphilis self-sampling and self-testing and results management services.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £3,900,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85140000 - Miscellaneous health services
- 85145000 - Services provided by medical laboratories
- 85323000 - Community health services

### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI32 - Westminster

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Department of Health and Social Care is The Department of Health and Social Care is seeking to establish a national Framework Agreement with a single contractor to provide HIV and Syphilis self-sampling and self-testing and results management services. The framework will be primarily for use by the Department of Health and Social Care, the lead Authority, but it will be opened for use by:

- any local authority in England;

<https://www.local.gov.uk/our-support/guidance-and-resources/communications-support/digital-councils/social-media/go-further/a-z-councils-online>

- NHS England and NHS Improvement; <https://www.england.nhs.uk/contact-us/>
- any Integrated Care Board, NHS Trust or NHS Foundation Trust in England: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/nhs-provider-directory/>

The aim of this service is to provide a cost effective and clinically robust service accessible for sexually active individuals aged 16 years and over. Emphasis will be placed on increasing testing for HIV amongst most at risk groups including gay and bisexual men and other men who have sex with men and black African populations. The service will be paid for by the customer and will be free to the service user.

The service provision includes four elements:

- User interface and access (online portal)
- Fulfilment of orders (online and offline distribution)
- Pathology
- Results management

Contract Project Reference: C72182

Contract term: 24 months with the option to extend for up to further 24months.

Estimated contract value (including extensions): £3,900,000 excluding VAT (£4,600,000 including VAT)

### 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: £3,900,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for up to a further 24 months.

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

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## **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

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## **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 a single operator

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2022/S 000-012629](#)

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

Date

5 August 2022

Local time

12:00pm

#### **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

5 August 2022

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: Approximately 6 months prior to the end of the current Framework as long as services are still required.

### **VI.3) Additional information**

This Tender process will be issued by in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 as amended by the Public Procurement (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 ("the Regulations) Schedule 3 ("Light Touch") services. This Procurement Exercise will therefore be run in accordance with 'the Regulations' as they apply to "light touch" services.

While the Authority is following a process broadly corresponding to an Open Procedure under 'the Regulations' neither that fact nor any other statements, acts or omissions of the Authority in connection with this Procurement Exercise should be taken as indicating that the Authority intends to be bound by the provisions of the 'Regulations' or the general principles to any greater extent than applies by law to the Light Touch Regime.

The opportunity will be available on the DHSC Atamis eTendering System. Select this link to access and register your organisation to the Atamis system <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>, if you have not already done so.

To find this opportunity in the eTendering system, select "Find Opportunities" and then search by project number or title. Once you have found the Opportunity, press the 'Register Interest' button to register your interest. This will make the project to appear on 'My proposals and quotes'. From there you can review documents, send clarification messages, submit the response, or decline to respond, if you decide not to participate in the opportunity. For full details on the instruction to tender and terms of participations please refer to the Invitation to Tender document.

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

The High Court

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