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Planning

Specialised Transport Co-ordination Service - East Midlands

NHS England - East Midlands Specialised Commissioning

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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UKF - East Midlands (England)

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.england.nhs.uk/commissioning/spec-services/

Buyer's address

https://www.ardengemcsu.nhs.uk/

I.3) Communication

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

https://uk.eu-supply.com/login.asp?B=agcsu

Additional information can be obtained from 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

Specialised Transport Co-ordination Service - East Midlands

Reference number

54523

II.1.2) Main CPV code

75122000 - Administrative healthcare services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit (AGCSU), on behalf of NHS England East Midlands Specialised Commissioning (referred to as the Commissioner), is undertaking a market engagement exercise to understand the current and future capacity and capability of the providers and potential providers within this specialised area. Interested parties are encouraged to register their interest and participate in the market questionnaire which will provide feedback to commissioners.

The service provider will receive and coordinate urgent and emergency requests made via telephone and digital routes 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year from specialised service leads who require advice on resuscitation and stabilisation, the sourcing of cots/beds from within and outside the East Midlands region, and/or to facilitate patient transfers to and from general hospitals to specialist treatment centres via the commissioned Ambulance Transport Provider.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKF - East Midlands (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The procurement is to commission a service that is able to receive and coordinate all urgent and emergency requests via telephone and digital routes for intra-uterine, neonatal

transfer (CenTre), paediatric critical care (CoMET - Children's Medical Emergency Transport Service), and ECMO (extracorporeal membrane oxygenation) advice on resuscitation and stabilisation and/or patient transfers to and from general hospitals to specialist treatment centres.

The service will manage requests according to agreed protocols and act as a conduit to support the provision of advice, patient referrals and transfers being processed.

The service will be delivered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. The service will respond to all requests within the Key Performance Indicators.

This notice is to advise prospective providers in the market of the commissioner's intention to commission this service and to provide an opportunity to engage with and participate in a market engagement questionnaire. The outcome of this market engagement will help inform commissioners of the current and future capacity and capability of the market and will be considered with other evidence to inform the commissioning approach.

NHS England East Midlands Specialised Commissioning is the contracting and commissioning authority for this service and wishes to commission centres across England to be delivered as part of a network arrangement.

The questionnaire is available through the EU Supply portal: https://uk.eu-supply.com/login.asp?B=agcsu

There will also be an opportunity to attend a market engagement event via Microsoft Teams at 9.30am - 10.30am on Tuesday 12th July 2022. If you would like to participate in this event, please email josselin.canevet@nhs.net by 12pm on Monday 11th July 2022. All slides and questions and responses will be made available to all bidders following the event.

The reference is 54523 and the closing date for submission of the completed questionnaire will be: 12:00 Monday 25th July 2022.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

7 October 2022

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