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## **The Provision for Surgical Skills Training Programme for Postgraduate Training**

NHS England

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-019797

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04785e

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

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

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**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://www.england.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

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

The Provision for Surgical Skills Training Programme for Postgraduate Training

Reference number

C293526

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services

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

Services

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

NHS England has published this Prior Information Notice (PIN) in relation to securing a supplier to provide the provision of a unique surgical training opportunity for specialty doctors in training in the north east region. Designed to provide simulation and frozen cadaver-based surgical skills training and assessment to doctors in training to support the attainment of their curriculum requirements.

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We need to ensure we have continued provision of a unique surgical skills training for specialty doctors in training in the north east region. Training must be delivered in person and must cover delivery of a programme designed to provide simulation and frozen cadaver-based skills training and assessment to doctors in training and to support the attainment of their curriculum requirements.

This notice is issued to the market to understand suppliers that are able to deliver this specialised requirement across the north east. Suppliers must have previous experience of delivering a successful Surgical Skills Training Programme (SSTP) to specialty doctors in training which has the essential involvement and support of regional faculty working in all surgical specialties within local Trusts. The supplier must be able to provide relevant training to all grades of doctors. The supplier must be able to provide training in all the

following specialties: core surgery, general surgery (hepatobiliary, colorectal, breast), vascular surgery, urology, ENT, orthopaedic surgery, paediatric surgery, cardiothoracic surgery, OMFS, plastic surgery, neurosurgery, obstetrics and gynaecology, ophthalmology, and radiology. The supplier must have the ability to deliver training which utilises new technology as this becomes incorporated into surgical practice to allow future-proofing of the programme (e.g. robotic surgery).

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

Value excluding VAT: £2,292,862

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

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#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

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#### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

5 July 2024

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### **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