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Planning County Durham and Darlington Palliative Care Rapid Response Service - Request for Information

NHS North East North Cumbria Integrated Care Board - County Durham Place NHS North East North Cumbria Integrated Care Board - Tees Valley Place

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS North East North Cumbria Integrated Care Board - County Durham Place

County Durham

Email

necsu.neprocurement@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKC1 - Tees Valley and Durham

NHS Organisation Data Service

UKC14

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://nenc-countydurham.icb.nhs.uk/

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS North East North Cumbria Integrated Care Board - Tees Valley Place

North Ormesby

Email

necsu.neprocurement@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKC - North East (England)

NHS Organisation Data Service

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Internet address(es)

Main address

https://nenc-teesvalley.icb.nhs.uk/

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

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 another address:

John Snow House

Durham University Science Park

County Durham

DH1 3YG

Email

necsu.neprocurement@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKC - North East (England)

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.necsu.nhs.uk/

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

County Durham and Darlington Palliative Care Rapid Response Service - Request for Information

Reference number

NECS470/493

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

North of England Commissioning Support is working for and on behalf of NHS North East North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB) County Durham Place and Tees Valley Place (the Contracting Authorities) to carry out market engagement for a Palliative Care Rapid Response Service across County Durham and Darlington.

The Contracting Authority is issuing this Prior Information Notice (PIN) as a Request for Information (RFI) to engage with the market and to gather information in order to gain a better understanding of both the capacity and appetite of the market in delivering the proposed services, and to alert the market to a future tender opportunity.

The RFI documentation will be accessible from Wednesday 19th July 2023 and completed RFI responses must be submitted by 12pm on Friday 28th July 2023.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKC - North East (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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It is important to note that this PIN/RFI is not a call for competition and as such you will need to express your interest in any future tender opportunity once the contract notice is published in Find a Tender and on Contracts Finder.

It should also be noted that this PIN/RFI invites individuals and organisations to express an interest in this RFI exercise only, and it is NOT a pre-qualification questionnaire, and is NOT part of any pre-qualification or selection process.

This PIN/RFI is intended as an awareness, communication, and information gathering exercise. An expression of interest is no indication of a commitment to participate in the RFI process nor does it infer any preferential or special status on those individuals and organisations who express an interest in the RFI exercise.

NECS is utilising an electronic tendering tool to manage this RFI exercise and communicate with potential providers. Accordingly, there will be no hard copy documents issued to potential providers and all communications with NECS, including RFI submissions, will be conducted via Atamis: <u>https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome</u>

If you have already registered on the system (e.g. to access contracts with another Health Family organisation) then there is no need to re-register.

If you have not already done so you should now register as a Supplier on the shared system.

You can register here: <u>https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome</u>

It is free to register on the portal and it can be accessed at any time of day providing you have a working internet connection. If you find that you need any advice or support in registering please contact the Atamis helpdesk using the following details: Phone: 0800 9956035

E-mail: support-health@atamis.co.uk

Opening times 8am - 6pm

PLEASE NOTE: You may be asked if you wish to merge your account with an existing organisation. This is based on a number of criteria including the domain name of your email address, so please ensure that you do register with your official work email address.

The Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (as amended) may apply to a future procurement including the New Fair Deal non-statutory policy setting out how pensions issues are to be dealt with when staff are compulsorily transferred from the public sector to independent providers delivering public services.

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

13 September 2023