

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/020906-2024>

Tender

## **Structural Heart and VAD's**

NHS Supply Chain Operated by Supply Chain Coordination Ltd (SCCL)

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-020906

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0433bf

Published 9 July 2024, 12:27pm

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

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

NHS Supply Chain Operated by Supply Chain Coordination Ltd (SCCL)

Wellington House, 133-155 Waterloo Road

London

SE1 8UG

#### **Contact**

Gavin Staniforth

#### **Email**

[gavin.staniforth2@supplychain.nhs.uk](mailto:gavin.staniforth2@supplychain.nhs.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKI4 - Inner London – East

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health/about/procurement>

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to 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://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//>

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

National or federal Agency/Office

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

---

## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Structural Heart and VAD's

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

- 33100000 - Medical equipments

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

Supplies

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

NHSSC seeks to establish a non-exclusive Framework Agreement (FAG) via the E-Direct and Direct Route for supply of Structural Heart Devices and Consumables. Products include Heart Valves, Annuloplasty rings and bands, and Ventricular Assisted Devices. Sutureless Valves are one of the high cost tariff excluded devices under the NHS England HCTED programme. NHS Supply Chain is the mandated route for the HCTED programme, and trusts who are commissioned to provide this service are directed to purchase all their requirements through NHS Supply Chain. Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £30,000,000 in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement.

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

Value excluding VAT: £120,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for maximum number of lots

2

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 2

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Heart Valves and Annuloplasty Rings & Bands

Lot No

Lot 1

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

- 33100000 - Medical equipments
- 33123000 - Cardiovascular devices
- 33141000 - Disposable non-chemical medical consumables and haematological consumables
- 33141210 - Balloon catheters
- 33141240 - Catheter accessories
- 33182000 - Cardiac support devices
- 33182220 - Cardiac valve
- 33182300 - Cardiac surgery devices
- 33184100 - Surgical implants
- 33184200 - Vascular prostheses
- 33184300 - Artificial parts of the heart
- 33184500 - Coronary endoprotheses
- 33190000 - Miscellaneous medical devices and products

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Products include, but are not limited to;

Annuloplasty band

Annuloplasty ring

Heart Valve Instruments

Heart valve mechanical

Heart valve root replacement

Heart valve sutureless

Heart valve sutures

Heart Valve Tissue

Heart valve tissue pericardial

Heart valve tissue porcine

Heart valve tissue stentless

Heart valve transcatheter

Mechanical valved non biological conduit

Pulmonary valved conduit

Tissue valved non biological conduit

Tissue valved tissue conduit

Valved conduit

Vascular Loop

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Training and Education / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Sales, Service & Quality / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Carbon or Environmental Impact / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Modern Slavery / Weighting: 5

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 44

Cost criterion - Name: NPM / Weighting: 26

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £100,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Framework Agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend incrementally for up to a total period of 48 months.

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

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

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

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £20m-£25m in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those

bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Ventricular Assisted Devices

Lot No

Lot 2

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

- 33100000 - Medical equipments
- 33182200 - Cardiac stimulation devices
- 33182230 - Ventricle
- 33182300 - Cardiac surgery devices

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Certain products within Lot 2 Ventricular assisted devices may be classified as high cost tariff excluded devices under the NHS England High Cost Tariff Excluded Devices (HCTED) programme. Trusts who are commissioned to provide specialised services in England are directed to purchase all their requirements through a national supply system through NHS Supply Chain.

Details of the product categories currently within scope of the HCTED programme, can be found using the following link: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/commissioning/spec-services/key-docs/medical-devices/>

In accordance with the specialised services commissioning policy, NHS Improvement and NHS England will determine which products are classified as excluded from tariff and which are made available under the NHS England High Cost Tariff Excluded Devices

(HCTED) programme.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Training and Education / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Sales, Service & Quality / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Carbon or Environmental Impact / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value - Modern Slavery / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 70

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £20,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Framework Agreement will have an initial term of 24 months with an option to extend incrementally for up to a total period of 48 months.

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

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



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

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £1m to £5m in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement.

---

## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

NHS Supply Chain intends to enter into arrangements under which it will be entitled to purchase supplies and/or services which it will make available for purchase by 1) any NHS Trust; 2) any other NHS entity; 3) any government department, agency or other statutory body (for the avoidance of doubt including local authorities) and/or 4) any private sector entity active in the UK healthcare sector. Only NHS Supply Chain can order from the Framework Agreement and enter into contracts under it.

Electronic ordering will be used and electronic invoicing will be accepted and electronic payment will be used. For the avoidance of doubt, and notwithstanding the estimate indicated at II.2.1, NHS Supply Chain does not guarantee any level of purchase through the framework and advises Applicants that the framework shall be established on a non-exclusive basis. Tenders and all supporting documentation for the contract must be priced in sterling and written in English. Any agreement entered into will be considered a contract made in England according to English law and will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts. NHS Supply Chain is not liable for any costs (including any third party costs fees or expenses incurred by those expressing an interest, participating or tendering for this contract opportunity. NHS Supply Chain reserves the right to terminate the procurement process (or part of it), to change the basis of and the procedures for the procurement process at any time, or to procure the subject matter of the contract by alternative means if it appears that it can be more advantageously procured by alternative means. The most economically advantageous or any tender will not automatically be accepted. All communications must be made through NHS Supply Chain's eTendering portal at <https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//> using the Message Centre facility linked to this particular contract notice.

Please note that the maximum number of suppliers as set out in IV.1.3 is an estimate only.

### **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

## **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

The Framework Agreement includes obligations with respect to environmental issues and a requirement for successful suppliers to comply with the NHS Supply Chain Code of Conduct.

---

## **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 several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 17

#### **IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction will be used

Additional information about electronic auction

Although an electronic auction will not be used to award all or part of the requirements of the Framework Agreement the use of eAuctions may be an option as part of any contracts awarded under the Framework Agreement.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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

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

Notice number: [2024/S 000-002250](#)

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

Date

7 August 2024

Local time

3:00pm

### **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: 7 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

9 August 2024

Local time

9:00am

---

## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

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

Submission of expression of interest and procurement specific information:

This procurement exercise will be conducted on the NHS Supply Chain eTendering portal at <https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//>

Candidates wishing to be considered for this contract must register their expression of interest and provide additional procurement-specific information (if required) through the NHS Supply Chain eTendering portal as follows:

Registration.

1. Use URL <https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//> to access the NHS Supply Chain Procurement portal.

2. If not yet registered:

— Click on the 'Not Registered Yet' link to access the registration page.

— Complete the registration pages as guided by the mini guide found on the landing page.

Portal access.

If registration has been completed:

— Login with URL <https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//> .

— Click on ITTs Open to All Suppliers.

— Select from the following ITTs:

ITT\_1340

ITT\_1341

ITT\_1342

Please note: you must respond to [ITT Header Number] In addition to any lots you intend to respond to.

— Click on Express Interest.

— If you intend to respond select Intend to Respond.

Applicants are encouraged to download the supplier handbook located within the eProcurement portal by following the 'Supplier Helpcentre' link within the Useful Links section of the Dashboard.

For any technical help with the portal please contact:

Tel: 0800 069 8630 or email: [help\\_uk@jaggaer.com](mailto:help_uk@jaggaer.com)

Please refer to Section III.1.1 for additional information.

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

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

Not Applicable

Not Applicable

Country

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Appeals to be logged in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended)