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## **NHSE802 – Invitation to Tender - General Dental Services - Lot 1 - Helmsley & Lot 2 - Thirsk**

NHS England and NHS Improvement North East & Yorkshire Region

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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

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

NHS England and NHS Improvement North East & Yorkshire Region

Quarry House, Quarry Hill

Leeds

LS2 7UA

#### **Email**

[NECSU.neprocurement@nhs.net](mailto:NECSU.neprocurement@nhs.net)

#### **Telephone**

+44 1642746918

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.necsu.nhs.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/nhsnecsu.aspx/Home>

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

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

NHS NORTH OF ENGLAND COMMISSIONING SUPPORT UNIT

John Snow House, Durham University Science Park

County Durham

DH1 3YG

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[NECSU.neprocurement@nhs.net](mailto:NECSU.neprocurement@nhs.net)

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<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/nhsnecsu.aspx/Home>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/nhsnecsu.aspx/Home>

**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**

NHSE802 – Invitation to Tender - General Dental Services - Lot 1 - Helmsley & Lot 2 - Thirsk

Reference number

NHSE802

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85130000 - Dental practice and related services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) is a commissioning support service hosted by NHS England and is managing this procurement process for the provision of a General Dental Services for Lot 1 – Helmsley and Lot 2 – Thirsk for NHS England & NHS Improvement North East & Yorkshire Region (the Contracting Authority).

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

Value excluding VAT: £3,889,774

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

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

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

Lot 1 - Helmsley

Lot No

1

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

- 85130000 - Dental practice and related services

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

NUTS codes

- UKE2 - North Yorkshire

Main site or place of performance

Helmsley - North Yorkshire

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

The Contracting Authority is procuring General Dental Services for Lot 1 – Helmsley. The over-arching aims of the Contracting Authority in respect of dental service provision are:

To improve oral health and to reduce inequalities in health and well-being.

To improve access to NHS dental services and to improve the experience of all patients.

To develop integrated and consistent services.

To ensure equitable and timely access to primary, urgent and elective care.

The Contracting Authority plans for a contract commencement date of 01 April 2022 for an initial contract term of 5-years with the option to extend the contract by 2-years at the discretion of the Contracting Authority and subject to satisfactory contractual and financial performance.

The annual financial threshold for Lot 1 – Helmsley is 261009 GBP based on 8,583 Units of Dental Activity (UDA) at the rate of 30.41 GBP per UDA.

The Open Procedure will be followed for this procurement to test the capacity, capability, and technical competence of bidders in accordance with Regulation 27 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended).

Tender documentation will be available from 12:00 noon on 6 September 2021 and the closing time and date for tender returns is 12:00 noon on 6 October 2021.

“Under the Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012 Contracting Authorities must consider:

(a) How what is proposed to be procured might improve the economic, social, and environmental well-being of the area where they

exercise their functions; and

(b) How, in conducting the process of procurement, they might act with a view to securing that improvement.

Accordingly, the subject matter of the contract has been scoped to take into account the priorities of the Contracting Authority relating to “economic, social, and environmental well-being” by utilising the UK Governments Social Value Model.

This procurement will be conducted using an e-tendering portal (In-Tend). The In-Tend portal can be found at:

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/nhsnecsu.aspx/Home> (Please follow the registration instructions if you are not already registered) and search for the project NHSE802 Invitation to Tender – General Dental Services – Lot 1 - Helmsley and Lot 2 - Thirsk.

Please note that it is free to register on In-Tend, which can be accessed at any time of day as long as you have a working internet connection. Should tenderers have any queries regarding In-Tend a dedicated help desk is available and can be contacted on +448442728810 or email: [support@in-tend.co.uk](mailto:support@in-tend.co.uk)

The Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (as amended) may apply. Bidders are advised to obtain their own legal advice and carry out due diligence 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.

The Contracting Authority and NECS reserve the right to cancel the tender process at any point and will not be held liable for any costs resulting from any cancellation of the tender process or for any other costs incurred by those tendering for the contract.

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,827,063

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement**

Duration in months

84

#### **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) Description**

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

Lot 2 - Thirsk

Lot No

2

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

- 85130000 - Dental practice and related services

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

NUTS codes

- UKE2 - North Yorkshire

Main site or place of performance

Thirsk - North Yorkshire

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

The Contracting Authority is procuring General Dental Services for Lot 2 – Thirsk. The over-arching aims of the Contracting Authority in respect of dental service provision are:

To improve oral health and to reduce inequalities in health and well-being.

To improve access to NHS dental services and to improve the experience of all patients.

To develop integrated and consistent services.

To ensure equitable and timely access to primary, urgent and elective care.

The Contracting Authority plans for a contract commencement date of 01 April 2022 for an initial contract term of 5-years with the option to extend the contract by 2-years at the discretion of the Contracting Authority and subject to satisfactory contractual and financial performance.

The annual financial threshold for Lot 2 – Thirsk is 294673 GBP based on 9,690 Units of Dental Activity (UDA) at the rate of 30.41 GBP per UDA.

The Open Procedure will be followed for this procurement to test the capacity, capability, and technical competence of bidders in accordance with Regulation 27 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended).

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

Value excluding VAT: £2,062,711

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement**

Duration in months

84

#### **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.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation**

List and brief description of rules and criteria

Public contracts for health, social, education, and certain other service contracts listed in Schedule 3 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) (PCR 2015) shall be awarded in accordance with Chapter 3 Section 7 Regulation 74 to 77 of PCR 2015.

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

#### **III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Form of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.10) Identification of the national rules applicable to the procedure**

Information about national procedures is available at:

[http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2015/102/pdfs/ukxi\\_20150102\\_en.pdf](http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2015/102/pdfs/ukxi_20150102_en.pdf)

#### **IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure**

The basic principles of the open procedure will be followed for this procurement to test the capacity, capability, and technical competence of bidders in accordance with the Light-Touch Rules Regime, Regulations 74 to 77 of The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) (for health, social, education, and certain other service contracts).

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

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

Date

6 October 2021

Local time

12:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

On viewing the tender documents for the first time, we advise you to check the clarifications section to ensure you have not missed any additional information that may have been issued prior to your expression of interest in this tender. It is also advisable to continue to check the clarifications section throughout the tender process.

The Contracting Authority will only accept documents for tenders or quotations placed on the e-Tendering portal to be received

electronically unless explicitly stated otherwise in the bidder's instructions.

Tenders submitted via the e-Tendering portal must be received in full prior to the closing time for receipt of tenders. Bidders are advised that uploading of large electronic files may take some time and as such bidders must allow sufficient time to fully transmit all files prior to the closing time for receipt of tenders.

The server clock displayed within the e-Tendering system shall govern the time for close of tender returns.

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

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

Public Procurement Review Service

Cabinet Office

London

Email

[publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk](mailto:publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk)

Telephone

+44 3450103503

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit>

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Contracting Authority will act in accordance with Part 3 Chapter 5 Regulation 85 to 87 and Part 3 Chapter 6 Regulation 88 to 104 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 (as amended) (PCR 2015). Part 3 of the PCR 2015 provides for appeals to be made to the High Court

subject to time limitations and other required procedural steps. The rules relating to appeal are complex and a dissatisfied bidder is advised to take their own prompt legal advice.

#### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

Royal Courts of Justice

The High Courts of Justice

London

WC242LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://courtribunalfinder.service.gov.uk/courts/royal-courts-of-justice>