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Tender

National Framework Agreement for Tail End Management

Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0485ea

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

Liverpool Road

Chester

CH2 1UL

Email

info@coch-cps.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.coch.nhs.uk

Buyer's address

www.coch-cps.co.uk

I.3) Communication

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

www.nhssourcing.co.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.nhssourcing.co.uk

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

National Framework Agreement for Tail End Management

Reference number

F/039/TEM/24/SB

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79418000 - Procurement consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The desired service specification is for the establishment of a national framework agreement to provide client authorities with a fully managed service for the purchasing and management of their tail end purchase order spend including medical, non-medical and ad hoc supplies and services. It should include the end to end supply chain management of the authority's tail end spend and at a high level include: audit of tail spend; savings delivery; purchase; supplier management; stock management; delivery and reporting.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £15,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33100000 - Medical equipments

- 33190000 - Miscellaneous medical devices and products
- 63121100 - Storage services
- 66140000 - Portfolio management services
- 75122000 - Administrative healthcare services
- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services
- 79418000 - Procurement consultancy services
- 79994000 - Contract administration services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust's Commercial Procurement Services seek to establish a national framework agreement for Tail End Management which may be utilised by any NHS Organisation or the wider public sector.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Term of this Framework Agreement shall be 2 years from the Commencement Date and may be extended for up to a further 2 years.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

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

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

IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction will be used

Additional information about electronic auction

Electronic auctions may be used in further competitions.

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

Date

3 September 2024

Local time

2:00pm

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: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

5 September 2024

Local time

9:00am

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

Supplier instructions how to express interest and bid:

- 1) Browse to the esourcing portal <https://www.nhssourcing.co.uk> and click on view current opportunities;
- 2) Register your organisation on the eSourcing portal (this is only required once);
- 3) Accept the portal terms and conditions and click 'continue', enter your organisation and user details; note the username you chose and click 'Save' when complete; you will shortly receive an e-mail with your unique password (please keep this secure);
- 4) Login to the portal with the username/password;
- 5) Click the 'PQQs/ITTs Open To All Suppliers' link. (These are pre-qualification questionnaires or invitations to tender open to any registered supplier);
- 6) Select the title of the ITT;
- 7) Click the 'Express Interest' button at the top of the page. This will move the PQQ/ITT into your 'My PQQs/My ITTs' page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only). You can now access any attachments by clicking 'Buyer Attachments' in the 'PQQ/ITT Details' box;

8) Review the ITT documents;

9) Responding to the ITT. Click 'My Response' under 'PQQ/ITT Details', you can choose to 'Create Response' or to 'Decline to Respond' (please give a reason if declining). You can now

use the messages function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification. Note the deadline for completion, then follow the on-screen instructions to complete the ITT.

There may be a mixture of online and offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed

online help available). You must then submit your reply using the 'Submit Response' button

at the top of the page. If you require any further assistance please consult the online help, or contact the eTendering help desk.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the framework agreement is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the framework agreement is entered into the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).