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Planning

## **Breast Screening Service (BSS) - NHS England (London Region) - Market Engagement Event**

NHS England

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

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

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

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**Region code**

UKI - London

**NHS Organisation Data Service**

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**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**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**

Breast Screening Service (BSS) - NHS England (London Region) - Market Engagement Event

Reference number

PRJ1217

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

NHS England London Region (hereafter referred to as "The Authority") invites interested, suitably qualified and experienced providers to attend a Market Engagement Event in advance of publication of Breast Screening Services across London and including west Hertfordshire.

Bidders will be asked to provide feedback after the event. The Authority will also publish feedback and Q&A after event.

Background

- The aim of breast screening is to reduce mortality from breast cancer by diagnosing cancer at an early stage when treatment is more successful.
- In England, the NHS currently offers breast screening to women aged from 50 up to their 71st birthday, every 3 years. Women aged 71 and over may self-refer every 3 years by contacting their local breast screening unit.
- Screening is provided in accessible screening sites (mobile units or static sites) and locations.
- Breast screening is a two-stage screening process:

1. Initially mammography for all women

2. Further screening tests for a small proportion of women

The additional tests are to confirm the presence of breast cancer or to reassure women that they have no sign of cancer and can be discharged back to routine screening.

- The programme also offers regular screening to women under 50 who have a Very High genetic Risk (VHR) of breast cancer, either because of a family history, because they are a carrier of a gene that puts them at a high risk of breast cancer (e.g. BRCA gene), or because they are on the Breast screening After Radiotherapy Dataset (BARD) database.

Market Engagement

The Authority plans to hold an online interactive engagement event via MS Teams on the Wednesday 4th of September from 14.00-16.00hrs.

The Market Engagement Event will provide:

- An overview of the current and proposed BSS service provision across the London Region (including West Hertfordshire).
- Details of the anticipated contract type, length and particular conditions.
- An overview of the proposed commissioning approach and procurement route.
- Indicative timelines for the procurement.

## Registration

Reservations are limited to no more than 3 individuals per organisation.

A link will be forwarded to individuals (no more than 3) who express an interest in attending, please send details of those to be invited to [england.ypa@nhs.net](mailto:england.ypa@nhs.net) with a subject title of "Market Engagement BSS" using the attached registration form.

The market engagement registration form must be completed and sent to [england.ypa@nhs.net](mailto:england.ypa@nhs.net) with a subject title of "Market Engagement BSS" by no later than 12:00pm on the 30.08.24.

IMPORTANT: Please note the market engagement event registration form can be found on the Contracts Finder Advert under the "Attachments" section:  
<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/382e5b8d-8254-41f9-a515-67499507b687>

The NHS London Commercial Hub (LCH), hosted by NHS North East London ICB (Part of North East London Health and Care Partnership) is managing this Market Engagement process on behalf of NHS England (London Region).

IMPORTANT - We would like to inform you that the lot structure (including the number of lots) will be presented at the Market Engagement Event.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

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

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

31 October 2024

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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