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## **Distribution of Advanced Wound Care Products (SBS10518)**

NHS Shared Business Services Limited

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-025479

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-048a06

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

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

NHS Shared Business Services Limited

Three Cherry Trees Lane, Hemel Hempstead

Hertfordshire

HP2 7AH

#### **Email**

[nsbs.health@nhs.net](mailto:nsbs.health@nhs.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

## **Companies House**

05280446

### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

## **I.3) Communication**

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

<https://discovery.ariba.com/rfx/20233693>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Other type

<https://www.sbs.nhs.uk/nhs-sbs-about-us>

## **I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Distribution of Advanced Wound Care Products (SBS10518)

Reference number

SBS10518

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

- 64120000 - Courier services

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

Services

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

NHS Shared Business Services Limited (NHS SBS) act in an Agency capacity for and on behalf of its customers (Approved Organisations) - existing and new. These comprise of NHS and Social Care organisations (whether acting individually, or on behalf of, or together as members of any consortia) along with any other public or private sector bodies which NHS SBS authorises to use the resulting Framework Agreement.

As an Accredited Framework Provider under the NHS England Accredited Scheme, NHS SBS intends to work with other NHS England Accredited Framework Providers to put in place a Framework Agreement for the Distribution of Advanced Wound Care Products that aligns with the Accreditation Programme standards which will be used by NHS SBS Approved Organisations.

Our Approved Organisation list can be found on:

<https://www.sbs.nhs.uk/services/framework-agreements-categories/>

We are committed to working with suppliers who are dedicated to Sustainability and Social Value and there will be a significant weighting on these elements in the tender.

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

Value excluding VAT: £91,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UK - United Kingdom

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

NHS SBS are seeking the successful Bidder(s) to provide the Distribution of Advanced Wound Care Products.

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

Please see description in the main contract objective on the Request for Information (RFI). The new Framework, subject to review and change, is expected to go live shortly after the expiry of the existing Framework Agreement (REF: SBS10142) on 1ST August 2025.

Please see the link above for instructions on how to participate and submit responses via the SAP Ariba RFI

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

27 November 2024

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

This Prior Information Notice (PIN) is to signal an intention to commence market engagement with those within the Distribution of Advanced Wound Care Products market.

Please complete the RFI via the SAP Ariba portal. Should you have access issues, please contact [nsbs.health@nhs.net](mailto:nsbs.health@nhs.net) for a digital copy.

NHS Shared Business Services Limited (NHS SBS) reserves the right to withdraw this notice at any time. NHS SBS is not bound to accept any proposals submitted by Bidders and is not liable for any costs incurred as a result of Bidders engaging with this process. This early market engagement exercise does not guarantee that a Procurement will take place and NHS SBS reserves the right to defer from any Procurement entirely.

NHS SBS intends to hold market engagement sessions during September 2024 with industry experts and suppliers interested in potentially bidding for the resulting Framework Agreement.

NHS SBS will use an eSourcing system for any procurement activity undertaken subsequent to this PIN and reserves the right to use an electronic auction. The eSourcing system we will use is SAP Ariba.

Please note that, to register, you must have a valid DUNS number (as provided by Dun and Bradstreet) for the organisation which you are registering, who will be entering into a Framework Agreement if invited to do so.

The value in II.1.5 is an indicative value over 4 years from 03/08/2025

The date in II.3) is the estimated date of publication, please monitor Find a Tender Service <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Search> for the publication of the relevant high value contract notice.