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Planning

Outsourced cardiac MRI scanning services

East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust

Trust Headquarters, Kent and Canterbury Hospital, Ethelbert Road

Canterbury

CT1 3NG

Contact

Senior Category Manager - Corporate (C237700)

Email

ekh-tr.procurement@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ44 - East Kent

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from 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://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Outsourced cardiac MRI scanning services

Reference number

C237700

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

2gether Support Solutions, on behalf of East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust (the "Trust"), is looking to award a contract under the Most Suitable Provider process of the Provider Selection Regime ("PSR"), i.e., able to identify the most suitable provider without running a competitive exercise, for the provision of outsourced Cardiac MRI scanning clinical services (non-stress and scans with devices for approximately 10 patients per week) to support the Trust with reducing its DM01 waiting list.

NHS Payment Scheme without MFF shall apply.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £380,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85100000 - Health services
- 85121231 - Cardiology services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

In accordance with Regulation 10 of The Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023, 2gether Support Solutions, on behalf of East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust (the "Trust"), is looking to award a contract under the Most Suitable Provider process, i.e., able to identify the most suitable provider without running a competitive exercise, for the provision of outsourced Cardiac MRI scanning clinical services (non-stress and scans with devices for approximately 10 patients per week) to support the Trust with reducing its DM01 waiting list.

A most suitable provider has already been identified by the Trust but if you think that your organisation is competent, suitably experienced and appropriately qualified to deliver such a service, then you may approach 2gether Support Solutions, on behalf of the Trust, and express your interest in being considered as the "Most Suitable Provider".

You must submit information against a questionnaire (containing both basic selection and key criteria) against project reference C237700_Outsourced cardiac MRI scanning clinical services of the e-Tendering portal.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

16 September 2024

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

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intended approach notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 do not apply to this award.

The award decision makers shall be the Deputy Chief Operating Officer - Elective, Cancer & Diagnostics; General Manager Cardiology (Trust wide) and Deputy Chief Finance Officer for, and on behalf of, East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust (the "Trust").

The intention is to award a contract using the most suitable provider process. This notice will be published for 14 days.

To register on the Health Family Single eCommercial System e-tendering portal:

If you have not accessed the portal before you will need to click Register from the landing page and complete the required form.

- 1) Register on the portal webpage <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>. Please note that registration and use of the website is free of charge.
- 2) Once registered, to search for tendering opportunities that have been published, click 'Find Opportunities'; and
- 3) From the Find Opportunities page, click on the title of an opportunity. If the tendering project is at the stage where it is open for suppliers to express interest, you will be able to click 'Register Interest'.

For technical support in submitting your Expression of Interest or registering on the 'Atamis Electronic Sourcing system please contact the Atamis helpdesk via email: support@atamis.co.uk.

All communications from providers should come through the Atamis portal. Strictly no other forms of communication to 2gether Support Solutions or the Trust will be accepted (including telephone calls, postal queries/submissions, faxes or email communications) during this period.

2gether Support Solutions, on behalf of the Trust, are aware of our transparency obligations under The Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. Please note for those expressing an interest for these services, doing so does not guarantee that you will not be required to register for any future PSR related procurement activities and you should not rely on your response to this notice as confirmation that 2gether Support Solutions, on

behalf of the Trust, will proceed further with either this, or other such, activities.

2gether Support Solutions, on behalf of the Trust, reserves the right not to proceed with the Most Suitable Provider process. If 2gether Support Solutions, on behalf of the Trust proceeds at any point, they reserve the right to discontinue the process at any point, which shall include the right not to award a contract or contracts.

Neither 2gether Support Solutions nor the Trust shall be liable for any costs or expenses incurred by any provider in connection with the completion and return of the information requested in this intended approach notice or in completion, or submission, of any response, irrespective of the outcome of the process if the process is cancelled or postponed for whatever reason.

All dates, timescales and values specified in this intended approach notice are provisional and 2gether's Procurement services, on behalf of the Trust, reserves the right to change these.