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## **Electronic Blood Products Ordering System**

The Common Services Agency (more commonly known as NHS National Services Scotland) (NSS)

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

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

The Common Services Agency (more commonly known as NHS National Services Scotland) (NSS)

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKM - Scotland

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.nss.nhs.scot/browse/procurement-and-logistics>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA11883](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA11883)

**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**

Electronic Blood Products Ordering System

Reference number

NP604426

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

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

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

Services

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

NHS National Services Scotland Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service is exploring the options for the possible procurement of an electronic ordering system

The objective of this exercise is to obtain up-to-date information and feedback from the market in order to:

- understand current and, in development, market capabilities and solutions in relation to the functionality required; and
- provide NHS National Services Scotland Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service, on behalf of NHS Scotland with indicative costs associated with the incremental implementation and ongoing support of a suitable solution

The information to be provided will help us better understand the current and developing market and to consider the way forward. Views and suggestions will not be disclosed to third parties or used for any other purpose.

This exercise is being carried out in advance of any formal procurement process. It is not a pre-qualification or tendering exercise. The results of this exercise will be used to inform NHS Scotland decision making process in respect of the implementation of an electronic solution and may or may not result in a future tendering exercise.

Any submission received in response to this exercise does not constitute any contractual

agreement between the respondent and NHS National Services Scotland Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service. Respondents should also note that NHS National Services Scotland Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service or NHS Scotland will not be responsible for any costs and expenses that may be incurred in responding to this exercise.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 72212180 - Medical software development services

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

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

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

Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service has a requirement to implement an electronic ordering solution to allow NHS Scotland Hospitals to place orders for blood and blood products including special components for specific patient groups (e.g. platelet refractory patients, sickle cell patients ...)

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

4 February 2025

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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**

Please download the Electronic Blood Products Ordering System (eBPOS) Questionnaire from this Public Contracts Scotland prior information notice and return completed, and as instructed in the questionnaire, by 17:00 Monday 28 October 2024.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=776966](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=776966).

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