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Audit and Assurance Services Dynamic Purchasing System

Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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F14: Notice for changes or additional information

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Audit and Assurance Services Dynamic Purchasing System

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79200000 - Accounting, auditing and fiscal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The DPS includes all forms of independent audit for UK public sector bodies, including statutory external audit requirements.

Also in scope are are governance requirements including counter-fraud services and other independent assurance such as:

- Assurance over non-financial information including but not limited to strategy, risk and corporate governance
- Assurance over KPIs including but not limited to environmental reporting, sustainability reporting and workforce reporting
- Compliance monitoring and risk management
- Grant funding assurance including but not limited to programme reviews and impact assessments
- Service auditor reports including but not limited to ISAE 3402 standards
- Special purpose reviews and investigations
- Tax compliance
- Third party risk management including supply chain assurance
- Well led governance reviews
- Workforce audit services including but not limited to temporary, fixed term or permanent staffing (clinical and non-clinical)

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: [2021/S 000-002416](#)

Section VII. Changes

VII.1) Information to be changed or added

VII.1.2) Text to be corrected in the original notice

Section number

VI.3

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How to express interest and apply to this DPS:

1) browse to the esourcing portal <https://www.nhssourcing.co.uk> and click on view current opportunities.

2) select the title of the DPS.

3) review the Introduction and instructions, outline specification, pre-requisites and list of eligible users (you may do this without registering).

4) register your organisation on the eSourcing portal (this is only required once).

5) 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 email with your unique password (please keep this secure).

6) login to the portal with the username/password.

7) click the 'PQQs/ITTs Open To All Suppliers' link. (These are pre-qualification questionnaires or invitations to tender open to any registered supplier).

8) click on the relevant PQQ/ITT to access the content.

9) 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.

10) Responding to the PQQ. 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 PQQ. 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.

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Supplier instructions how to express interest and bid:

- 1) Browse to the esourcing portal <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome> and click on view Live 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) Search for the relevant PQQ;
- 6) Select the title of the PQQ;
- 7) Click the 'Express Interest' button at the top of the page. You can now access the PQQ Application Documents from the relevant envelope;
- 8) Review the PQQ documents;
- 9) Responding to the PQQ. 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

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VII.2) Other additional information

We have transitioned to the Atamis e-tendering portal. Future applications will have to be made through that system.

I have enclosed a link to Atamis, and their User Guide.

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

User Guide:

https://services.atamis.co.uk/docs/Supplier_User_Guide.pdf