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Planning

Needlefree Connection Systems and Associated Products 2025

NHS Supply Chain Operated by Supply Chain Coordination Ltd (SCCL)

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health/about/procurement

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

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https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com/

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Needlefree Connection Systems and Associated Products 2025

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 33194000 - Devices and instruments for transfusion and infusion

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The NHS Supply Chain Needlefree Connection Systems and Associated Products Framework 2025 is intended to cover Needlefree connectors, extension sets and accessories. Lot 1 Needlefree Connectors/Valves. Lot 2 Needlefree Extension Sets. Lot 3 Needlefree Closed System Transfer Devices. Lot 4 Needlefree Associated Products. It is anticipated in the first year that spend will be approximately £25,000,000 GBP, however this is approximate only and may vary depending on requirements of bodies purchasing under the Framework. The Framework Agreement between NHS Supply Chain and successful suppliers will reserve the right to purchase the same or similar supplies from suppliers not appointed to the Framework at its sole discretion.

NHS Supply Chain intends to enter into arrangements under which it will be entitled to purchase supplies which it will make available for purchase by 1) any NHS Trust; 2) any other NHS entity; 3) any government department, agency or other statutory body and/or 4) any private sector entity active in the UK healthcare sector. Only NHS Supply Chain can order from the Framework Agreement and enter into contracts under it.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £100,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 4

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Needlefree Connectors/Valves

Lot No

Lot 1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33194100 Devices and instruments for infusion
- 33194120 Infusion supplies
- 33194200 Devices and instruments for transfusion

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Needlfree Connector/Valve, including Positive, Negative and Neutral fluid displacement, bidirectional fluid displacement and arterial.

II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £6,000,000 in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Needlefree Extension Sets

Lot No

Lot 2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33194000 Devices and instruments for transfusion and infusion
- 33194100 Devices and instruments for infusion
- 33194120 Infusion supplies

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Needlfree Extension sets, including single, double, triple, quad and Five Lumen

II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £16.000.000 in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Needlefree Closed System Transfer Devices

Lot No

Lot 3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33194100 Devices and instruments for infusion
- 33194120 Infusion supplies

• 33194200 - Devices and instruments for transfusion

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Needlefree Closed system transfer devices.

II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £1,000,000 in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Needlefree Associated Products

Lot No

Lot 4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33194100 Devices and instruments for infusion
- 33194120 Infusion supplies
- 33194200 Devices and instruments for transfusion

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Needlefree Associated Products including bag spike dispensing pins, disinfectant caps, stopcock and other accessories

II.2.14) Additional information

Precise quantities are unknown. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £2,000,000 in the first year of this Framework Agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

17 October 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

The purpose of this notice is to draw attention to a procurement that NHS Supply Chain intends to commence during the subsequent 12 months. The invitation to tender will be the subject of a separate notice and it is that notice to which potential suppliers will need to respond at the appropriate time.

The following certification will be a requirement of the upcoming tender exercise and Applicants may be required to include evidence of this within their tender submission:

- ISO 9001: 2015 accredited by the United Kingdom Accreditation Service (or equivalent) to cover all segments of the Applicant's and the product's supply chain. This should include, but not be limited to, manufacturing, storage and distribution. If Quality Assurance Standard certificates are not in the name of the Applicant then the Applicant must supply a copy of agreements setting out the authority and responsibilities of all parties in the supply chain.
- Declaration of Conformity and UKCA Certification to demonstrate compliance to UK Medical Device Regulations 2002 or Declaration of Conformity and CE Certification to demonstrate compliance to UK Medical Device Regulations 2002 or Declaration of Conformity and CE Certification to demonstrate compliance to Medical Devices Directive 93/42/EEC or Medical Device Regulation 2017/745 (where applicable).
- MHRA registration of any medical devices, in compliance with the Medical Devices Regulations 2022 (SI 2022 No 618, as amended) (UK MDR 2022).

NHS Supply Chain will assess the Applicant's economic and financial standing (or that of the entity or entities the Applicant is relying upon). Documentary evidence of this will be required at tender stage.

NHS Supply Chain will be assessing Sustainability and Social Value requirements as part of the upcoming tender process:

- > Carbon reduction Plan All suppliers of new contracts for goods, services and works are required to publish a Carbon Reduction Plan (CRP) (PPN 06/21). This will be a pass/fail requirement at SQ stage of the upcoming tender.
- > Social Value Requirements All procurements will include a minimum 10% net zero and social value weighting. Questions in the upcoming tender will form part of the Non-Financial criteria. Should the upcoming tender be identified as Medium or High risk in relation to modern slavery, a pass/fail requirement will be implemented in relation to a Modern Slavery Social Value question, with a score of 2 or above required to achieve a pass.
- >Evergreen Assessment All Suppliers are required to complete an Evergreen Supplier Assessment. This will be a pass/fail requirement at SQ stage of the upcoming tender.
- > NHS England Supplier Roadmap The NHS net zero supplier roadmap sets out the steps suppliers must take to align with the NHS net zero ambition between now and 2030.
- > Modern Slavery All suppliers must complete and maintain an up-to-date Modern Slavery Assessment Tool (MSAT) as a minimum requirement (PPN 02/23). This will be a pass/fail requirement at SQ stage of the upcoming tender.

As part of its pre-tender strategy, NHS Supply Chain anticipates engaging with suppliers of these products via an expression of interest.

Please follow the guidance below:

PORTAL ACCESS

- Login with URL https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//
- Click on "SQs Open to All Suppliers" and search for the title of the procurement.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

- Click on the 'EXPRESS INTEREST' button in the top right corner.

RFI

- The Request for Information Document will be available in the Qualification envelope and attachments tab. The closing date for responses to the RFI will be indicated here.