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Planning

## **NHS England - Increasing Capacity Framework Agreement - Refresh**

NHS England

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Prior information notice without call for competition

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

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

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UK - United Kingdom

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Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/68205>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Supplier/Documents/Folder/32006>

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**

NHS England - Increasing Capacity Framework Agreement - Refresh

Reference number

NHS England - ICF- Refresh

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

The National Health Service Commissioning Board (which uses the operational name 'NHS England') has established a framework for clinical services titled Increasing Capacity Framework (ICF) under the light touch regime, and has entered into a framework agreement with each provider appointed to the ICF. Following the success of the ICF, NHS England intends to invite additional providers to apply for a broader range of services and extended term. This PIN provides early notification of the intention to launch such a procurement in December 2021.

The services in scope are:

- 1) NHS inpatient and outpatient (including full supporting pathology and imaging) services and urgent elective care and cancer treatment to service users in line with nationally set criteria;
- 2) NHS inpatient non-elective care (either direct admission or transfer from an NHS organisation). The framework agreement may be accessed by all CCGs and NHS Trusts and Foundation Trusts across England

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

Value excluding VAT: £10,000,000,000

#### **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

Nationwide

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

The procurement is expected to launch in early December 2021 and be awarded in January 2022 to enable framework agreements to be signed by successful bidders in advance of the fixed start date of 1st April 2022.

The agreement will have a fixed term ending on 20th December 2024 with no option to extend.

The estimated value is based on a potential upper value over the contract duration and actual value will depend on actual demand.

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

This is not currently a call for competition and the detailed documents relating to the procurement are not yet available.

The links in Section I.3 will allow interested parties to register their interest only at this stage and further information will be made available in December when the procurement exercised is launched.

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

3 December 2021

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

NHS England/contracting authorities (NHSEI Direct Commissioning, CCGs, ICBs, NHS Trusts/Foundation Trusts across England) using the framework are only bound by the parts of PCR specifically applicable to social/other specific services therefore the applicable rules for the open procedure (Regulation 27) and framework agreements (Regulation 33) do not apply.