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## **Pre-Market Engagement for the Non-Emergency Ambulance Patient Transport Service**

Business Services Organisation, Procurement and Logistics Service

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-031132

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-037ee5

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

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

Business Services Organisation, Procurement and Logistics Service

The Cottage, 5 Greenmount Avenue

Ballymena

BT43 6DA

#### **Email**

[sourcing.palsballymena@hscni.net](mailto:sourcing.palsballymena@hscni.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKNO - Northern Ireland

### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

### **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**

Pre-Market Engagement for the Non-Emergency Ambulance Patient Transport Service

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

- 85143000 - Ambulance services

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

Services

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

This is a prior information notice to seek engagement with the market place to understand the market structure and ascertain how suppliers can assist in the Non-Emergency Ambulance Patient Transport Service to public bodies within Health and Social Care in Northern Ireland.

Potential suppliers for the Non-Emergency Ambulance Patient Transport Service will need to register their business on the website [www.eTendersNI.gov.uk](http://www.eTendersNI.gov.uk). Go to 'Suppliers new to eTendersNI' and follow the registration process. Suppliers will be required to register against the relevant CPV codes applicable to them and to ensure they receive email alerts regarding specific areas of interest. If already registered Suppliers should review their contact details to ensure the information is up to date. Assistance is available from eTenders NI Helpdesk, telephone number: 08002404545.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 34114121 - Ambulances
- 34211200 - Ambulance bodies

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)
- 60100000 - Road transport services
- 60130000 - Special-purpose road passenger-transport services
- 60170000 - Hire of passenger transport vehicles with driver

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

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

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

This is a prior information notice to seek engagement with the market place to understand the market structure and ascertain how suppliers can assist in the Non-Emergency Ambulance Patient Transport Service to public bodies within Health and Social Care in Northern Ireland in compliance with all relevant Legislation. To this end, BSO Procurement and Logistics Service (PaLS) wish to engage with potential Suppliers on behalf of Health and Social Care in Northern Ireland to obtain a market view of the potential requirements through the eTendersNI secure messaging area of this Call for Tender (CfT). All correspondence in relation to this pre-market engagement exercise will be communicated via the eTendersNI secure messaging area. Suppliers should refer to the Pre-Market Engagement Document located within the CfT. Suppliers will be required to return answers to Appendix 4 — Supplier Questionnaire and any comments no later than 15:00 hours 18 November 2022. Suppliers should note that PaLS may follow up this questionnaire with a meeting(s) with interested suppliers during week commencing 12 December 2022. If required, invitations will be issued week commencing 28 November 2022. Suppliers should also note that any interest shown does not constitute a commitment to participate in any future tendering exercise.

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

21 April 2023

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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**

Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: English