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Planning

## **NHS England Market Engagement for Primary Care Labs for NHS England - South West Region**

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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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**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**

NHS England Market Engagement for Primary Care Labs for NHS England - South West Region

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

Primary Care Laboratory - South West

On behalf of NHS England's South West Digital Transformation Team, the National Commercial and Procurement Hub (NHS England) is hosting a market engagement event to test supplier interest and capabilities in the delivery of a Primary Care Laboratory.

The Primary Care Laboratory will be a highly flexible physical space(s), capable of simulating clinical and administrative areas, mirroring the general practice environment. The space will be easily reconfigurable to reflect various options for workflow and, potentially, other primary care environments (e.g. dental practices). Service infrastructure will be required to enable staff to work in the space to develop and test digital technologies and processes, to address the challenges facing the delivery of primary care. There will be opportunities for partner organisations to use the Primary Care Laboratory as a resource for health care delivery research, associated with NHS operational pressures.

We are seeking organisations capable of providing these services as a whole or organisations that could provide part of the services to gather information of what is possible in the market currently and to share our vision of how laboratory will work.

Information assimilated from the event will help inform the procurement strategy, should we proceed to tender.

Interested suppliers should note that this exercise is a market engagement exercise only. Any future competitions or opportunities will not be directly linked to this notice. Interested

suppliers should be clear that interest in this engagement is a fundamental step towards the creation of the strategy to deliver an enhanced service.

This window is presented for interested suppliers to register their interest via email to the National commercial and Procurement Hub: [commercial.procurementhub@nhs.net](mailto:commercial.procurementhub@nhs.net)

The deadline for registering interest is 14th November 2022 at 12pm midday.

The event will be held via MS teams on 15th November 2022 date with the time to be confirmed via the invite.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 33190000 - Miscellaneous medical devices and products
- 38970000 - Research, testing and scientific technical simulator
- 48200000 - Networking, Internet and intranet software package
- 73100000 - Research and experimental development services
- 80510000 - Specialist training services
- 80561000 - Health training services

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

NUTS codes

- UKK - South West (England)

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

Description of the vision, a draft specification and additional documents to be released to all of the suppliers who register an interest to the event.

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

31 March 2023

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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