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Planning

## **NHS SBS ADMISSION AVOIDANCE SERVICES (SBS10264)**

NHS Shared Business Services Limited

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-032372

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-041119

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

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

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**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Companies House**

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**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Other type

Public Sector Framework Provider <https://www.sbs.nhs.uk/nhs-sbs-about-us>

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

NHS SBS ADMISSION AVOIDANCE SERVICES (SBS10264)

Reference number

SBS10264

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

NHS Shared Business Services Limited (NHS SBS) act in an Agency capacity for and on behalf of its customers (Approved Organisations) - existing and new. These comprise of NHS and Social Care organisations (whether acting individually, or on behalf of, or together as members of any consortia) along with any other public or private sector bodies which NHS SBS authorises to use the resulting Framework.

NHS SBS intends to put in place a Framework Agreement for the provision of Admission Avoidance and related Goods and Services for Healthcare to be used by NHS SBS Approved Organisations.

Our Approved Organisation list can be found on:

<https://sbs.nhs.uk/proc-framework-agreements-support>

We are committed to working with suppliers who are dedicated to Sustainability and Social Value and there will be a significant weighting on these elements in the tender.

A Request for Information (RFI) form can be obtained from the above-mentioned email address or downloaded from Contracts Finder.

Requests to participate must be submitted electronically by way of completing and

responding to the RFI via email to [nsbs.health@nhs.net](mailto:nsbs.health@nhs.net) by 12:00 noon 04 Dec 2023.

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

Value excluding VAT: £275,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Falls and Frailty Services and Solutions

Lot No

1

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

This lot aims to provide a full solution for the provision of Falls and Frailty services including prevention, education, and training. Falls and frailty teams join up care by connecting hospital expertise with emergency services and use technology to reduce the risk of falls by remotely monitoring patients. The team typically attends to patients who have had a fall or are displaying related symptoms associated with frailty.

They can assess, treat underlying illness, and minor wounds, assess mobility and function, and provide appropriate equipment to enable them to remain at home safely, with wrap around support provided where needed with the hospital at home.

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

Please see description in the main contract objective on the Request for Information (RFI). Further Lots will be defined as an outcome of this initial market engagement PIN.

Please see the information at section 1.3 above for instructions on how to participate and submit responses.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Urgent Community Response Services

Lot No

2

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

This lot aims to provide a full solution for the provision of Urgent Community Response Services. 2-hour Urgent Community Response (UCR) is a team of health and social care professionals who help to maintain people at home - preventing avoidable hospital visits and stays - and assist people returning home from hospital who need extra support. They provide an urgent assessment within two-hours, and further multiagency support within 48 hours, for a short time. This is to help people recover quickly and keep their independence.

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

Please see description in the main contract objective on the Request for Information (RFI). Further Lots will be defined as an outcome of this initial market engagement PIN.

Please see the information at section 1.3 above for instructions on how to participate and submit responses.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Adult and Paediatric Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI) Hubs

Lot No

3

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

This lot aims to provide a full solution for the provision of Adult and Paediatric Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI) Hubs. ARI Hubs aim to support respiratory patients with urgent clinical needs by enhancing same day access to assessment and specialist advice as needed. This may include accessing secondary care respiratory 'hot clinics', access to point of care (POC) testing or other diagnostics may be helpful if available. Referral to Same Day Emergency Care (SDEC) services may also be utilised to support further diagnostics where required. This may be followed by advice, treatment, follow-up appointments or monitoring as required such as referral to an ARI virtual ward.

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

Please see description in the main contract objective on the Request for Information (RFI). Further Lots will be defined as an outcome of this initial market engagement PIN.

Please see the information at section 1.3 above for instructions on how to participate and submit responses.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Reablement Services

Lot No

4

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

This lot aims to provide a full solution for the provision of Reablement Services. Reablement is a type of care that helps patients relearn how to do daily activities, like cooking meals and washing. Most people who receive this type of care do so for around 1 or 2 weeks, although patients can get free, short-term care for a maximum of 6 weeks.

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

Please see description in the main contract objective on the Request for Information (RFI). Further Lots will be defined as an outcome of this initial market engagement PIN.

Please see the information at section 1.3 above for instructions on how to participate and submit responses.

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

16 July 2024

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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

This Prior Information Notice (PIN) is to signal an intention to commence market engagement with those within the Admissions Avoidance market.

NHS Shared Business Services Limited (NHS SBS) reserves the right to withdraw this notice at any time. NHS SBS is not bound to accept any proposals submitted by Bidders and is not liable for any costs incurred as a result of Bidders engaging with this process. This early market engagement exercise does not guarantee that a Procurement will take place and NHS SBS reserves the right to defer from any Procurement entirely.

NHS SBS intends to hold market engagement sessions during Dec 2023 - Feb 2024 with industry experts and suppliers interested in potentially bidding for the resulting Framework Agreement.

NHS SBS will use an eSourcing system for any procurement activity taken subsequent to this PIN and reserves the right to use an electronic auction.

Please note that, to register, you must have a valid DUNS number (as provided by Dun and Bradstreet) for the organisation which you are registering, who will be entering into a Framework Agreement if invited to do so.

The value in II.1.5 is an indicative value over 4 years from 16 July 2024

The date in II.3) is the estimated date of publication, please monitor Find a Tender Service <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Search> for the publication of the relevant high value contract notice.