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## **Perinatal Immunisation Services in Dorset**

NHS England

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

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

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United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKI - London

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://atamis-1928.my.site.com/s/Welcome>

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**

Perinatal Immunisation Services in Dorset

Reference number

C369879

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

- 85140000 - Miscellaneous health services

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

Services

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

This notice is placed to set out NHS England South West's (the Commissioner's) intention to follow the Most Suitable Provider Process.

NHS England South West is commissioning Perinatal Immunisation Services within Dorset.

Perinatal Immunisation Services being commissioned include Pertussis, Flu and COVID-19 vaccinations for pregnant women, Bacillus Calmette-Guérin (BCG) vaccinations for newborn infants, and the roll out of the Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) vaccination programme for pregnant woman over 28 Weeks.

The Commissioner is seeking a provider/s who are suitable and capable to continue the delivery of this work.

The aim of Perinatal Immunisation Services is to offer vaccination to pregnant women alongside existing planned antenatal appointments, to facilitate improvement of vaccinations offered to newborn infants on a targeted basis (BCG, Hep B as required), to improve data quality, improve uptake and reduce inequalities in access to immunisations across the perinatal pathway. To support the understanding of requirement, the service specifications and sample reporting requirements relating to the individual vaccination programmes have been provided in Atamis.

To co-ordinate delivery of the improvement programme in the system of Dorset, in

partnership with the two maternity providers. The programme seeks to

- Increase uptake of maternal vaccinations
- Improve timeliness of the BCG vaccination programme
- Improve quality of data on uptake and inequalities
- Take steps to address inequalities in accessing these programmes

Further information on this can be found in the Transformation funding outcomes provided in Atamis.

The contract will commence on 1st September 2025, the contract term will be 3 years with a 2 year optional extension.

No changes are foreseen across the life of the contract, other than demographic changes, and increase in income should uptake and activity increase.

We do not believe that TUPE would apply in this award.

The total contract value will be £130,000 per annum plus variable income arising from vaccinations administered for RSV, pertussis and flu. At present this is estimated to be in the region of £120,000 per annum.

The provider must have experience of delivering services within perinatal immunisation services in, around and relevant to and have established links and networks to enable collaborative working and integrated delivery.

The Provider must be able to mobilise by the contract start date.

Services will be contracted using the latest version of the NHS Standard Contract.

This exercise is being carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioner.

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,250,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 33651000 - General anti-infectives for systemic use and vaccines

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

NUTS codes

- UKK25 - Dorset

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

1 August 2025

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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

Interested providers will be able to view this opportunity via the live opportunities list on the 'Health Family' e-procurement system, Atamis. Click on 'View our Live Opportunities' from the home page, available on the following link: <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>.

Once you have found the opportunity (via the search function, using the title or reference number), to gain full access to the relevant information, you will need to click on 'Register interest' - this will take you to the log-in page.

If you are not already registered on the system, you will need to do so before gaining full access to the documentation.

Where deemed suitable, providers can express an interest. They must do this by submitting a response to the questionnaire (provided within Atamis) and returning this via Atamis by midnight on 2nd July 2025.

Decision makers - Managing Director (system development Yand commissioning) and South West System Oversight and Co-ordination Leadership Team

The intention is to award a contract using the most suitable provider process.

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intended approach notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 do not apply to this award.