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Planning EOI: Domiciliary Dental Services across Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire

NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

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Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.notts.icb.nhs.uk/

Buyer's address

https://www.notts.icb.nhs.uk/

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

EOI: Domiciliary Dental Services across Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire

Reference number

AG24009

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85130000 - Dental practice and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This is a Prior Information Notice (PIN)

NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit (AGCSU) on behalf of NHS Derby and Derbyshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) and NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB (referred to as the Commissioners) wish to inform the market of a future procurement opportunity for Dental Domiciliary Services across Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire (to include Bassetlaw).

The Commissioner would like to invite interested providers to participate in an early market assessment questionnaire which will be used as a conduit to ascertain market capability and interest in the opportunity, prior to publication of the formal procurement opportunity in Summer 2025. The questionnaire will help Commissioners to:

- Gain market views on the viability of procuring the Domiciliary Dental service,
- Determine length of future contracts.

A draft Service Specification has been provided by the Commissioner (which can be found in the attachments areas of Atamis), Providers are to note that this Specification is in a draft format and is subject to change for the formal tender process. The Service Specification has been published to allow Providers to give appropriate responses to the questions asked in the Market Assessment questionnaire.

The contract to be entered into will be in accordance with the NHS Personal Dental Services (PDS) Agreement and the Commissioners intend to offer two Personal Dental Services contracts, one contract covering Derbyshire and another covering Nottinghamshire (including Bassetlaw). Both contracts are due to commence on 1st April 2026.

If your organisation is interested in this opportunity, then please respond to the early market assessment questions on Atamis and register your interest by following the instructions

given below in section I.2.14.1 Additional information. Please note the deadline for interested providers to complete the early market assessment is 5pm on Friday 4th July 2025.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £2,601,610

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 85130000 - Dental practice and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKF1 - Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire

Main site or place of performance

The Domiciliary Dental Services is expected to cover the following ICB areas in the East Midlands region: -

1 NHS Derby and Derbyshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) 2 NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB (including Bassetlaw)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This notice is purely for providers to express an interest in the opportunity to provide for Dental Domiciliary Services across Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire (including Bassetlaw).

Domiciliary dental services are concerned with providing and enabling the improvement of oral health of individuals and groups in society who have a physical, sensory, intellectual, mental, or medical factor that limits their ability to access oral health care services appropriate to their needs.

Patients eligible for treatment under these services will have long term and/or progressive medical conditions; mental illness or dementia, causing disorientation and confusion in

unfamiliar environments or increasing frailty which means that they are not able to travel to a dental surgery.

Providers are to note, although a premises / dental clinic is not required for patients to access the service, the Commissioner still expects providers to have a fit for purpose dental premises for the purposes of decontamination of dental equipment. Therefore, it will be the responsibility of the new Provider/s to source suitable premises for this to take place.

Please note the deadline for expressing an interest is 5pm on Friday 4th July 2025.

II.2.14) Additional information

This is purely an early engagement exercise; any subsequent procurement will be advertised separately and all organisations wanting to participate will need to respond to the procurement advertisement as and when published.

This is a market testing exercise and does not commit the Commissioners to carry out a procurement process. Current services will remain in place during this period in line with existing contracts and service level agreements.

The awarding of this contract will be subject to the HealthCare Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Procurement Act 2023 will not apply to this award.

The Contracting Authority will be using an eTendering system for this market engagement exercise. To express an interest and access the questionnaire go to the 'Live Opportunities' list on the e-tendering portal at the following

link: <u>https://health-family-contract-search.secure.force.com/?searchtype=Projects</u> and register your interest.

You can search for the opportunity by entering the following contract reference: C366140 - EOI: Domiciliary Dental Services across Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire.

Please note the deadline to complete the early market assessment questionnaire is 5pm on Friday 4th July 2025.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

28 July 2025

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

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

It is the expectation of the Commissioner that the providers will review the contents of this Notice in order to inform their responses to the pre-market engagement questionnaire. Please note the Contract Notice Publish date is only indicative at this time and is subject to change.