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Planning

DHSC: Request for Information - Ambulance Radio Programme (ARP) Network Infrastructure Services

Department of Health and Social Care

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04b12b

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Department of Health and Social Care

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London

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Contact

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI32 - Westminster

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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Reference number

C3000000

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72250000 - System and support services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This information note is being publicly shared via Find a Tender Service and Contracts Finder, making it accessible to all suppliers in the market.

The Department of Health and Social Care (The Authority) is seeking information and insights from Potential Suppliers in relation to development of the Ambulance Radio Programme (ARP) Network Infrastructure Services requirements.

This engagement supports the development of delivery models for the current Ambulance Radio Programme used by NHS Ambulance Trusts across England, with optional users Scotland, and Wales Ambulance.

How to apply:

Please email arp@dhsc.gov.uk quoting "Ambulance Radio Programme Network Infrastructure - expression of interest" in the subject line and request a non-disclosure agreement in the body of your email.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £0.01

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72250000 - System and support services
- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 44316400 - Hardware
- 32424000 - Network infrastructure

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI32 - Westminster

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

There is no planned procurement activity relating to the publication of this Prior Information Notice (PIN).

For the avoidance of doubt this is not a call for competition nor a procurement and therefore it will have a monetary payment value of £0 attached for this engagement.

The sole purpose of the PIN is to invite interested suppliers to respond to a Request for Information (RFI) which will inform the development of the specification/s, help identify the route/s to market and potential contractual mechanisms for the APR future solutions.

Responses to the RFI may be carried forward, for the purposes of developing the ARP requirements and informing the next steps but will NOT be used nor acknowledged in any way for the purpose of evaluating/qualifying any Potential Supplier, in any subsequent formal competitive process.

II.2.14) Additional information

How to apply:

Please email arp@dhsc.gov.uk quoting "Ambulance Radio Programme Network Infrastructure - expression of interest" in the subject line and request a non-disclosure agreement (NDA) in the body of your email.

Potential Suppliers must sign and return an NDA to the Authority by 15 November 2024 @ 16:00 hours UK time, before being granted access to any further information related to the requirements in development.

Once signed NDA's are received by the Authority we anticipate:

RFI will be published: 18 November 2024 via e-sourcing;
RFI Response Deadline via e-sourcing: 20 December 2024 @ 14:00 UK Time.

The Authority will make every effort to maintain the indicative timetable however this may be subject to alteration.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

24 October 2024

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

Indicative dates (please note these may be subject to change/alteration):

Supplier Signed NDA's must be received by 15 November 2025 @ 16:00;
RFI Published - Monday 18 November 2024;
RFI Response Deadline - 20 December @ 14:00 hours UK Time.