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# **NP49124 Hepatitis C Medicines**

NHS Scotland

F02: Contract notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

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Edinburgh

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#### **Email**

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### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UKM - Scotland

### Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.nss.nhs.scot/browse/procurement-and-logistics

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA1188 3

# I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

# I.3) Communication

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

https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/web/login.html

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/web/login.html

# 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

NP49124 Hepatitis C Medicines

## II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 33600000 - Pharmaceutical products

## II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

## II.1.4) Short description

Supply of Hepatitis C Medicines to NHS Scotland.

## II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £35,791,085

## II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

# II.2) Description

## II.2.1) Title

Hepatitis C - Treatment Cost per Medicine

Lot No

1

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

• 33600000 - Pharmaceutical products

### II.2.3) Place of performance

#### **NUTS** codes

UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

All entities constituted pursuant to the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978, and any Integrated Joint Boards established pursuant to the new Public Bodies (Joint Working) Scotland Act 2014.

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

Supply of Hepatitis C Medicines to NHS Scotland. The Authority intends to award this Lot as a single supplier framework per product line. Full details of Goods and volumes can be found within the ITT documents.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Treatment duration / Weighting: 2.5

Quality criterion - Name: Genotype testing / Weighting: 2.5

Price - Weighting: 95

### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £35,791,085

### II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

**Duration** in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This framework includes the option to extend for any number of periods, up to a maximum overall period of forty-eight (48) months upon giving not less than three (3) months written notice, such notice to expire no later than the date the Framework Agreement is due to expire.

### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

### II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

# II.2) Description

### II.2.1) Title

Hepatitis C Medicines - Price submitted based on Volume (unscored)

Lot No

2

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

• 33600000 - Pharmaceutical products

### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

· UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

All entities constituted pursuant to the National Health Service (Scotland) Act 1978, and any Integrated Joint Boards established pursuant to the new Public Bodies (Joint Working) Scotland Act 2014.

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supply of Hepatitis C to NHS Scotland. The Authority intends to award this framework as a unranked multi-supplier framework. Full details of this Lot can be found within the ITT (Invitation to Tender) documents.

### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

# II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

**Duration in months** 

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This contract is subject to renewal

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# Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

## III.1) Conditions for participation

### III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria

- (a) Potential Framework Participants must be able to demonstrate the existence of a valid and current UK Marketing Authorisation (PL, PLGB, or PLPI number) that has been approved by the MHRA for all tendered Medicines at the date of submission of the tender of the Framework Agreement.
- (b) Potential Framework Participants and any sub-contractor(s) must possess valid certification of BS EN ISO 9001 or equivalent.
- (c) All tendered Goods must comply with the MHRA best Practice Guidance on Labelling and Packaging and the National Patient Safety Agency ("NPSA") Guidelines on Packaging and Labelling on pack design.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

- (a) Confirmation of existence of a valid and current UK Marketing Authorisation (PL, PLGB, PLPI number) that has been approved by the MHRA for all tendered Medicines at the date of submission of the tender of the Framework Agreement should be included in the Qualification Envelope of the ITT under the Technical and Professional ability: Quality Control.
- (b) Confirmation of existence of a valid and current UK Manufacturing 'Specials' License approved by the MHRA. Confirmation of such a license should be included in the Qualification Envelope of the ITT under the Technical and Professional ability: Quality Control.
- (c) Confirmation that samples for tendered Goods will be supplied upon request to ensure compliance with the MHRA best Practice Guidance on Labelling and Packaging and the National Patient Safety Agency ("NPSA") Guidelines on Packaging and Labelling on pack design. Confirmation of sample provision should be provided in the Qualification Envelope of the ITT under Technical and Professional ability: Products.

# Section IV. Procedure

# IV.1) Description

## IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

### IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 3

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

Drugs in scope of this framework is expected to be patent protected for the next 6 years.

## IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

# IV.2) Administrative information

#### IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

12 January 2024

Local time

12:00pm

### IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

## IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

### IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

12 January 2024

Local time

12:00pm

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

## VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

# VI.3) Additional information

The estimated value(s) referred to in Section II.1.5 and within all Lots cover(s) the twenty-four (24) month contract duration and the forty-eight (48) month extension period of the framework agreement.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 25668. For more information see:

http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343

A sub-contract clause has been included in this contract. For more information see: <a href="http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2363">http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2363</a>

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see: <a href="https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/">https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/</a>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

It is a mandatory requirement that potential framework participants agree to support the concept, provision, and ongoing development of community benefits provision in relation to this framework.

Potential framework participants are required to agree to this mandatory requirement. They are also requested to provide a summary of the community benefits that have recently been delivered within Scotland, if at all, and what impact and outcomes these have achieved.

Potential framework participants are required to summarise any proposed community benefits that will be developed and delivered as part of this framework if successful or, alternatively, potential framework participants confirm that they will engage with the NHS Scotland's Community Benefits Gateway (CBG). This gateway, developed through requests from suppliers seeking opportunities to support the delivery of community benefits within

the contracting region, provides information on community benefit opportunities. The CBG is a free and easy to use online service that connects NHS Scotland suppliers with third sector community organisations within Scotland and will be used for tracking and reporting and is an approved compliant route to the realisation of community benefits.

For further information please visit NHSS Community Benefit Gateway (<a href="https://www.nss.nhs.scot/procurement-and-logistics/sustainability/access-our-community-benefit-gateway/">https://www.nss.nhs.scot/procurement-and-logistics/sustainability/access-our-community-benefit-gateway/</a>).

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## VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

**Sheriff Court House** 

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edinburgh@scotcourts.gov.uk

Telephone

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Country

**United Kingdom** 

Internet address

https://scotcourts.gov.uk/the-courts/sheriff-court/about-sheriff-courts

#### VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Authority will notify economic operators who submitted a tender or (where no deselection notification has previously been made) applied to be selected to tender, of its decision to award the framework agreement which notification will contain among other information, a summary of the reasons why the economic operators was unsuccessful. The notification will incorporate a 'standstill period' of a minimum of 10 clear calendar days (or a minimum of 15 if the communication method used is not electronic) between the date on which the Authority dispatches the notice(s) and the date on which the Authority proposes to conclude the relevant framework agreement. The bringing of court proceedings against the Authority during the standstill period will automatically continue the prohibition on entering into the framework agreement until the court proceedings are determined, discontinued, or disposed of, or the court, by interim order, brings to an end the prohibition. The remedies that may be awarded by the courts before the framework agreement has been entered into include the setting aside of the decision to award the framework agreement to the winning tenderer(s). The bringing of court proceedings against the Authority after the framework agreement has been entered into will not affect the framework agreement unless grounds for the imposition of special penalties under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 can be established. Otherwise, the remedies that may be awarded by the courts where the framework agreement has been entered into are limited to the award of damages.