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Planning

Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening (AAA) Programme

NHS England

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS England

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI - London

NHS Organisation Data Service

Y56

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

I.3) Communication

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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening (AAA) Programme

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This is a prior information notice of an upcoming procurement process for Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening (AAA) Programme. The NHS England London, Public Health Screening team, are currently preparing for the undertaking of the AAA re procurement 2023/24.

The aim of AAA Screening Programme is to reduce deaths from ruptured aneurysms through early, accurate detection via ultrasound scan, monitoring and management of men with screen detected aneurysms, and appropriate referral and progress

tracking of referrals to accredited vascular services for high quality diagnostic and treatment services.

Commissioners are seeking feedback from interested organisations in the form of completed Market Engagement Questionnaires (MEQ). The Two intended lots are:

Lot 1 - North London

Lot 2 - South London

The scope and delivery of the service is detailed in the NHS AAA National Services and NHS AAA Local London Specifications.

Delivery of the programme includes successful identification and invitation to screening of all men eligible for NHS care registered with a GP within the commissioned screening programme boundaries in the year they turn 65. It also includes testing, surveillance, diagnose, referral to treatment/intervention and monitoring of outcomes.

Currently, in London there are two programmes: North London Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening Programme (NLAAASP) provides screening across three ICBs in NWL, NCL and NEL including 21 Local Authorities; and South London Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening Programme (SLAAASP) provides AAA screening across SWL and SEL ICBs and 12 local authorities, plus parts of Surrey. In total, both programmes are responsible for an eligible population of 46500 men.

The service specifications, contract values and contract durations stipulated are all in draft and are being developed at the time of publication of this PIN. Feedback from this MEQ exercise will be considered by the commissioners before the service specification and other contract parameters are finalised for the next stage of the process.

Financial Model

Please disregard the estimated total value provided in section "II.1.5) Estimated total value".

In relation to the financial model, the Authority is proposing an Activity-based model with the following tariff (indicative figure at this stage): Routine/ Surveillance screening - £60 per screen. This model is indicative at this stage and, in addition to the need for market feedback, the model will undergo affordability testing.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £0.01

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 2

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

North London

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85100000 - Health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

South London

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85100000 - Health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

22 December 2023

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: No

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Any communications or clarification questions about this contract opportunity must be submitted be via the messaging facility for this project on ProContract e-tendering portal.

Interested organisations must express an interest for the purposes to partake in the market engagement questionnaire via the Pro-contract e-tendering portal.

Bidders need to register on Pro-contract if they are not registered already.

This can be done by clicking the link below:

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Register>

Once registered, you can express an interest (for market engagement) in this project by clicking the following

link to this specific project:

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert?advertId=d611757d-d18d-ee11-8125-005056b64545>

Please note this expression of interest is only for the Market Engagement Questionnaire and it is not a call for competition. Should we decide to go out for procurement, you will need to express an interest for the Invitation to Tender.

Once you navigate to the project area you can access the Market Engagement materials provided in the messaging facility (a link to a questionnaire via MS Forms).

Interested organisations are requested to complete and submit a copy of the Market Engagement Questionnaire through the MS Form no later than Friday 22 December 2023 at 12.00 (noon)

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