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# **External Breast Prosthesis and Chest Support**

NHS Supply Chain Operated by Supply Chain Coordination Ltd (SCCL)

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Supply Chain Operated by Supply Chain Coordination Ltd (SCCL)

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London

SE1 8UG

#### Contact

Laszlo Jakab

#### **Email**

Laszlo.Jakab1@supplychain.nhs.uk

## Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### Region code

UKI4 - Inner London - East

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health

Buyer's address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health/about/procurement

# 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://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

NHS Supply Chain Operated by Supply Chain Coordination Ltd (SCCL)

Equinox House, City Link

Nottingham

NG24LA

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Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to 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://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

# I.5) Main activity

Health

# **Section II: Object**

# II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

External Breast Prosthesis and Chest Support

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 33184400 - Breast prostheses

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

**Supplies** 

#### II.1.4) Short description

The Framework Agreement will look to include the following range of products: whole breast prostheses, partial breast prostheses, soft form and leisure breast prostheses, bras and accessories for bras and prostheses. It is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of 1 500 000 GBP in the first year of this framework agreement, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the framework agreement. The estimated value over the total framework agreement term is 7 000 000 GBP.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £7,000,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for maximum number of lots 2

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

# II.2) Description

#### II.2.1) Title

External breast prostheses and accessories

Lot No

1

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

• 33184400 - Breast prostheses

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

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

Whole and Partial breast protheses including soft forms, leisure prosthesis, nipples, and prosthesis accessories. These products are made from various materials and designed to simulate the appearance of breast tissue and is typically fitted within a brassiere.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Supply Chain Resilience / Weighting: 15%

Quality criterion - Name: Customer Service, Support and Relationship Management /

Weighting: 10%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value Fighting Climate Change / Weighting: 10%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value Equal Opportunity / Weighting: 15%

Price - Weighting: 50%

#### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £6,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

This Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a further period of up to 24 months.

#### 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

Chest support garments and bras

Lot No

2

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

• 33184420 - External breast prostheses

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various Locations in the UK

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

Post operative, prosthesis and compression bras and chest support garments and bra accessories. These undergarments or reinforced wraps are designed to support and /or contour the breast or chest after surgical intervention.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Supply Chain Resilience / Weighting: 15%

Quality criterion - Name: Custiomer Service, Support and Relationship Management /

Weighting: 10%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value Fighting Climate Change / Weighting: 10%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value Equal Opportunity / Weighting: 15%

Price - Weighting: 50%

#### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

This Framework Agreement will have the option to extend incrementally for a further period of up to 24 months.

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

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

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

# III.1) Conditions for participation

# III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

Applicants should refer to II.2 of this Contract Notice for further details in respect of appointment to the individual Lots across the Framework Agreement.

Applicants may bid for one, more than one or all of the Lots and Applicants should refer to the Invitation to Tender for more information in respect of this.

The term of contracts formed under the Framework Agreement may continue beyond the end of the term of the Framework Agreement itself.

NHS Supply Chain expects to provide successful Suppliers with the opportunity to offer additional savings to customers through the provision of discounted pricing, value added offerings and commitment initiatives.

NHS Supply Chain will share savings information in order to assist its customers with making informed procurement decisions.

NHS Supply Chain intends to enter into arrangements under which it will be entitled to purchase supplies and/or services which it will make available for purchase by 1) any NHS Trust; 2) any other NHS entity; 3) any government department, agency or other statutory body (for the avoidance of doubt including local authorities) and/or 4) any private sector entity active in the UK healthcare sector. Only NHS Supply Chain can order from the Framework Agreement and enter into contracts under it.

Electronic ordering will be used and electronic invoicing will be accepted and electronic payment will be used. For the avoidance of doubt, and notwithstanding the estimate indicated at II.2.1, NHS Supply Chain does not guarantee any level of purchase through the framework and advises Applicants that the framework shall be established on a non-exclusive basis. Tenders and all supporting documentation for the contract must be priced in sterling and written in English. Any agreement entered into will be considered a contract made in England according to English law and will be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts. NHS Supply Chain is not liable for any costs (including any third party costs fees or expenses incurred by those expressing an interest, participating or tendering for this contract opportunity. NHS Supply Chain reserves the right to terminate the procurement process (or part of it), to change the basis of and the procedures for the procurement process at any time, or to procure the subject matter of the contract by

alternative means if it appears that it can be more advantageously procured by alternative means. The most economically advantageous or any tender will not automatically be accepted. All communications must be made through NHS Supply Chain's eTendering portal at <a href="https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//">https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//</a> using the Message Centre facility linked to this particular contract notice.

Please note that the maximum number of suppliers as set out in IV.1.3 is an estimate only.

#### III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

## III.2) Conditions related to the contract

#### III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

The Framework Agreement includes obligations with respect to environmental issues and a requirement for successful suppliers to comply with the NHS Supply Chain Code of Conduct.

# 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: 16

#### IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction will be used

Additional information about electronic auction

Although an electronic auction will not be used to award all or part of the requirements of the Framework Agreement the use of eAuctions may be an option as part of any contracts awarded under the Framework Agreement.

#### 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

15 January 2024

Local time

3:00pm

#### 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: 7 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date

16 January 2024

Local time

9:00am

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

## 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

Submission of expression of interest and procurement specific information:

This procurement exercise will be conducted on the NHS Supply Chain eTendering portal at <a href="https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//">https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//</a>

Candidates wishing to be considered for this contract must register their expression of interest and provide additional procurement-specific information (if required) through the NHS Supply Chain eTendering portal as follows:

Registration.

- 1. Use URL <a href="https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//">https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//</a> to access the NHS Supply Chain Procurement portal.
- 2. If not yet registered:
- Click on the 'Not Registered Yet' link to access the registration page.
- Complete the registration pages as guided by the mini guide found on the landing page.

Portal access.

If registration has been completed:

- Login with URL https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//.
- Click on ITTs Open to All Suppliers.

— Select from the following ITTs:

ITT 1149 - Lot 1 - External Breast Prostheses and Accessories

ITT\_1150 - Lot 2 - Chest Support Garments and Bras

Please note: you must respond to ITT\_1124 - External Breast Prosthesis and Chest Support In addition to any lots you intend to respond to.

- Click on Express Interest.
- If you intend to respond select Intend to Respond.

Applicants are encouraged to download the supplier handbook located within the eProcurement portal by following the 'Supplier Helpcentre' link within the Useful Links section of the Dashboard.

For any technical help with the portal please contact:

Tel: 0800 069 8630 or email: help\_uk@iaggaer.com

## VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

N/A

N/A

Country

**United Kingdom** 

## VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Appeals to be logged in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended)