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Tender

Assisted Conception Services for Sussex patients - NHS/SOEPS/22.865 - AQP

NHS Sussex Integrated Care Board

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Prior information notice with call for competition

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex

NHS Organisation Data Service

QNX

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.sussex.ics.nhs.uk/>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/soepscommissioning.aspx/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to 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

Assisted Conception Services for Sussex patients - NHS/SOEPS/22.865 - AQP

Reference number

NHS/SOEPS/22.865 - AQP

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Sussex Integrated Care Board (Contracting Authority) Commissioners wish to commission Assisted Conception Services as per the service specification, for Sussex people experiencing infertility or requiring fertility preservation prior to gonadotoxic treatment. This Service will deliver safe, high quality assisted conception care which offers patients a choice of provider, together with excellent outcomes and an improved patient experience.

In securing services from Providers, the Contracting Authority needs assurance of competence, quality, and safety standards. It is a mandatory requirement that Prospective Providers are suitably licenced by the Human Fertility and Embryology Authority (HFEA).

The AQP contracts will commence on 1st April 2023 once the procurement process has reached completion. It should be noted that under the Any Qualified Provider model, there will be no guaranteed volume of activity, or payment in the contracts awarded.

Any provider will be eligible to join a list of qualified providers subject to demonstrating competency against the authority's specified criteria. The list will be subsequently opened to new entrants to the market, subject to assessment.

If qualified, your organisation will be required to accept the terms and conditions and be compliant with the NHS Standard Contract and any subsequent revisions thereof.

All correspondence regarding this procurement should be through the e-tender portal

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/soepscommissioning>. Any correspondence received via other means will not be responded to.

The window for clarification questions from Applicants will close at 5pm, Wednesday 18th January 2023, allowing time for answers to be posted and applicants to complete and submit their applications by 12pm, Monday 30th January 2023.

Please read the questionnaire and the supporting offer documents very carefully since failure to comply with the requirements contained therein (including paying particular attention to Maximum Word Limits for answers) will invalidate your submission.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ - South East (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of expressions of interest

Date

30 January 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.5) Scheduled date for start of award procedures

31 March 2023