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## **NECS449 - Vasectomy Service**

NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Boards

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Boards

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Durham

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#### **Email**

[necsu.neprocurement@nhs.net](mailto:necsu.neprocurement@nhs.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKC14 - Durham CC

**NHS Organisation Data Service**

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**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://northeastnorthcumbria.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/nhsnecsu.aspx/Home>

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

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

NECS449 - Vasectomy Service

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) is working for and on behalf of NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB) (the Contracting Authority) who wish to alert the market to a potential future tender opportunity to deliver a high quality community vasectomy service for non-complex cases for patients who are aged 18 or over and who are permanently or temporarily registered to a GP in the NHS North East & North Cumbria ICB - Durham Dales, Easington and Sedgefield (DDES) Locality. The service is to provide a 'One Stop Shop' non-scalpel vasectomy service to include pre- and post-operative testing, information, support and guidance.

The aims of the service are:

- To provide a service with waiting times within 18 weeks of referral to treatment.
- To improve access to vasectomy services.
- To widen the choice of vasectomy services.

It is important to note that this PIN is not a call for competition and as such potential providers will need to express an interest in any future tender opportunity once a contract notice is published on Find and Tender Service and on Contracts Finder.

It should be noted that this PIN/Request for Information (RFI) invites individuals and organisations to express an interest in this RFI exercise only, and it is NOT a pre-qualification questionnaire, and is NOT part of any pre-qualification or selection process. This PIN/RFI is intended as an awareness, communication, and information gathering exercise for the Contracting Authority to ascertain if there is any genuine interest in the market to deliver this service. An expression of interest is no indication of a commitment to participate in the RFI process nor does it infer any preferential or special status on those individuals and organisations who express an interest in the RFI exercise.

NECS is utilising an electronic tendering portal (In-Tend) to manage this process and as such interested individuals and organisations will need to register on the portal to submit their expression of interest.

The InTend e-Tendering portal can be found at:

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

Please note that it is free to register on InTend, which can be accessed at any time of day as long as you have a working internet connection.

Should you have any queries, or are having problems registering on the portal, you should contact the e-tendering provider by Email: [support@in-tend.com](mailto:support@in-tend.com) or by phone 0844 2728810. Website: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/nhsnecsu.aspx/Home>

Helpdesk Support is available (Monday to Friday 8:30am to 5.00pm).

Potential providers are to note that the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 (as amended) may apply to a future procurement including the New Fair Deal non-statutory policy setting out how pensions issues are to be dealt with when staff are compulsorily transferred from the public sector to independent providers delivering public services.

To express an interest in delivery of the service, please send a message confirming your interest via the correspondence tab within InTend prior to the deadline.

The RFI documents will be available from the e-tendering portal Intend from Tuesday 03 January 2023.

All completed RFI responses must be submitted by the deadline of 5pm on 17 January 2023.

#### **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

- UKC - North East (England)

Main site or place of performance

Durham Dales, Easington and Sedgefield locality

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

Service

### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

1 March 2023

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## **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

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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