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Tender

Dynamic Purchasing System to provide Extra Vehicle and Staff Capacity to deliver Non-emergency Patient Transport Services. Reference number: RBA/TS/LOC/0342

Somerset NHS Foundation Trust

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-042936

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Somerset NHS Foundation Trust

Musgrove Park Hospital

Taunton

TA1 5DA

Contact

Transport Buyer

Email

serviceteam.procurement@somersetft.nhs.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKK23 - Somerset

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

I.3) Communication

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

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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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

Dynamic Purchasing System to provide Extra Vehicle and Staff Capacity to deliver Non-emergency Patient Transport Services. Reference number: RBA/TS/LOC/0342

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85143000 - Ambulance services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) is being tendered by Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust) on behalf of the Trust, Yeovil District Hospital, Somerset Partnership NHS Foundation Trust and the Somerset Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to provide additional Non Emergency Patient Transport services to those already provided by the CCG. It is intended to use the DPS to provide additional patient transport vehicle and staff capacity including, but not limited to the following:

- During periods of winter /summer pressures,
- Discharges from acute hospital settings,
- For patients who have a regular transport requirement between care providers.

The DPS will run for 10 years and the service is primarily to provide fixed term contracts rather than one off ad-hoc journeys and each will be specified within any call off contracts available through the DPS.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK23 - Somerset

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The provision of Non-Emergency Patient Transport (NEPT) services for Somerset is delivered by different suppliers under contracts awarded through the Somerset Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) for use by Acute and Non Acute hospital Trusts, Community Hospitals and other non-acute care establishments and GP Practices within Somerset. Transport is provided depending on patient needs and eligibility for the NEPT service together with the supplier's capacity and availability to supply service.

The DPS will be available for use by all public sector bodies within Somerset, the CCG, Community Hospitals and other Care Providers and other organisations approved by the CCG. All call off contracts will be administered by Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust through the Atamis e-Tendering Portal.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000

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

Start date

1 September 2016

End date

31 August 2026

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: 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.2.14) Additional information

This DPS was previously advertised via OJEU. Notice number 2016/S 127-227772. The Authority has changed e-tendering portal and is unable to amend the original notice now the UK has left the EU.

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted 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

The procurement involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system

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

Essential service

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2016/S 127-227772](#)

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

Date

31 August 2026

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)

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.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NHS England

Skipton House, 80 London Road

London

SE1 6LH

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

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

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

NHS England

Skipton House, 80 London Road

London

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Country

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