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Planning

Access to Urgent and Specialist Medicines

NHS DEVON ICB

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKK4 - Devon

NHS Organisation Data Service

QJK

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://devon.icb.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

Access to Urgent and Specialist Medicines

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85149000 - Pharmacy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Devon ICB will be undertaking a procurement exercise in relation to delivery of Access to Urgent and Specialist Medicines. Further details provided below. This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intended approach notice to advise this procurement will be undertaken using the most suitable provider process.

Evaluation work will commence 20th January 2025.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85149000 - Pharmacy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK4 - Devon

Main site or place of performance

The provider is required to be Community Pharmacy within the county of Devon.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NHS Devon are looking for suitable community pharmacies in Devon to participate in the service who meet the following criteria:

- Be able to suitably store agreed medicines stock list
- Willingness to engage with out of hours and community partners
- Willingness to engage with local primary care partners

This service aims to improve access to urgent and emergency medicines, some of which may not be standard stock for community pharmacies, during normal and Bank Holiday working hours in the community setting, not affecting your standard opening hours.

In addition, the service will also support the dispensing for appropriate anticipatory prescribing for palliative care e.g the use of Just in Case (JIC) Bags, and thus contribute to supporting the individual to remain at home, although the specification is expected to be utilised less frequently in the instances due to effective treatment planning.

This service, to a lesser extent, will also support patients to access antivirals for seasonal influenza, during the CMO declared influenza season.

II.2.14) Additional information

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intended approach notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 do not apply to this award.

The award will be reviewed and confirmed via the NHS Devon ICB PSR Steering Group.

The intention is to award a contract using the most suitable provider process.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

7 February 2025

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

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