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Planning

## **HCC 07/25 Preliminary Market Engagement for the Provision of Pharmaceutical Support for Local Authorities in the East of England**

Hertfordshire County Council

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

PME 0725 PSLA

### **Description**

Hertfordshire County Council are carrying out Preliminary Market Engagement to explore options for commissioning a regional provider that can support with a consistent approach to pharmaceutical advice, PGD development, and public health medication governance across participating Local Authorities in the East of England.

The Council will consider the feedback received to help inform the Council's options and further decision making. For the avoidance of doubt, this stage of the project is not part of a formal procurement process, and the Council is not committing, at this stage, to carrying out such a process. Participation or non-participation in the PME shall not prevent any provider participating in a potential future procurement, nor is it intended that any

information supplied as part of the PME shall place any provider at an advantage in a potential procurement process. Participation in the PME will be at each organisations own cost. No expense in responding to this PME will be reimbursed by the Council.

## **Commercial tool**

Establishes a framework

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 December 2025 to 30 November 2029
- 4 years

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 75122000 - Administrative healthcare services
- 85100000 - Health services
- 85140000 - Miscellaneous health services
- 85149000 - Pharmacy services

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## **Engagement**

## **Engagement deadline**

8 August 2025

## **Engagement process description**

To access the Preliminary Market Engagement documentation please visit <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/supplyhertfordshire> and follow the on-screen guidance. To participate in the PME, organisations must submit their completed Provider Questionnaire together with any supporting documents, via our e-tendering system (In-Tend) by 12 noon on 8th August 2025 as per the PME documentation and e-tendering system.

The Council will not be held accountable for any errors made by an organisation in submitting their Provider Questionnaire. If you are experiencing problems with Supply Hertfordshire, In-Tend (which hosts the Supply Hertfordshire e-Tendering system) offer a help section and dedicated UK Support Help Desk which can be contacted via email [support@in-tend.co.uk](mailto:support@in-tend.co.uk) or telephone +44 (0)114 407 0065 for any website /technical questions Monday to Friday 8.30am-5.00pm.

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

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## **Procedure**

### **Special regime**

Light touch

## **Contracting authority**

### **Hertfordshire County Council**

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government