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Planning

SNBTS Blood & Tissue Establishment Computerised System

The Common Services Agency (more commonly known as NHS National Services Scotland) (NSS)

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The Common Services Agency (more commonly known as NHS National Services Scotland) (NSS)

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.nss.nhs.scot/browse/procurement-and-logistics>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA11883

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

SNBTS Blood & Tissue Establishment Computerised System

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS National Services Scotland Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service is exploring the options for the procurement of a computer system (or combination of systems that can be linked) to support a wide range of SNBTS functions from donor to patient.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48900000 - Miscellaneous software package and computer systems
- 48100000 - Industry specific software package
- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 72200000 - Software programming and consultancy services
- 72220000 - Systems and technical consultancy services
- 72210000 - Programming services of packaged software products
- 48814400 - Clinical information system
- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service (SNBTS) is the specialist provider of safe high quality blood, tissues and cells products and services in Scotland. The key priority is to ensure that NHSScotland continues to have enough blood to meet the transfusion needs of patients in Scotland. To make sure that blood, tissues and cells are always available when patients need them.

SNBTS has a requirement to tender for the provision of a computerised system to support both blood and tissue establishment functions (donor and blood stocks manufacture & management), as well as clinical-facing functions including patient-based hospital transfusion and H&I services. The existing solution has been in use for some time and now requires replacement to meet current and future needs.

SNBTS is the sole provider of blood, blood components and tissue to NHS Scotland. SNBTS is located around Scotland with donor blood collection and clinical facing transfusion laboratories/blood bank facilities in Glasgow, Inverness, Aberdeen, Dundee and Edinburgh, with a single processing and manufacturing facility also in Edinburgh, a blood establishment component issue/distribution site in Glasgow and an H&I laboratory, supporting clinical solid organ transplant, disease association and HLA/HPA Platelet matching functions located in Edinburgh also.

SNBTS has used a computerised system for more than a decade.

Current system users are based within the SNBTS regional facilities as well as within several Hospital facilities around Scotland including NHS Highlands, Grampian, Lothian and Tayside. Other non SNBTS users who utilise full hospital transfusion laboratory functions on our current computer system, are located within NHS Shetland, NHS Orkney, NHS Western Isles, NHS Grampian, NHS Tayside and NHS Highland. In addition, blood collections sessions are held throughout Scotland many in remote and rural areas.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

30 August 2026

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: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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