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Planning

## **Autologous Chondrocyte Implantation (ACI) and Osteochondral Allograft (OCA - North West England**

NHS England North West

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-054517

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05957c

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

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

NHS England North West

Regatta Place, Summers Road, Brunswick Business Park

Liverpool

L3 4BL

#### **Email**

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

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKD72 - Liverpool

## **NHS Organisation Data Service**

Q75

### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/north-west/>

Buyer's address

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

### **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

### **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**

Autologous Chondrocyte Implantation (ACI) and Osteochondral Allograft (OCA - North West England

Reference number

NHSE1051

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85100000 - Health services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) is a commissioning support service working for and on behalf of NHS England North West (the Relevant Authority) who are undertaking a market landscaping exercise in relation to Autologous Chondrocyte Implantation (ACI) and Osteochondral Allograft (OCA for the North West of England.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85111000 - Hospital services

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

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

North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) is a commissioning support service working for and on behalf of NHS England North West (the Relevant Authority) who are undertaking a market landscaping exercise in relation to Autologous Chondrocyte Implantation (ACI) and Osteochondral Allograft (OCA for the North West of England.

This market landscaping exercise is a request for information and is intended as an awareness, communication, and information gathering exercise.

Proposed Contract Start Date: 01 April 2026.

The proposed contract term is for an initial period of 03 years, with an option to extend for a further 02 years at the discretion of the Relevant Authority and subject to satisfactory contractual and financial performance.

It is important to note that this market landscaping exercise is not a call for competition and as such you will need to express your interest in any future competition opportunity once the contract notice is published on Find a Tender.

The closing date for submission of RFI response is by 5:00pm 22 September 2025.

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

9 October 2025

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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: Yes

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

NECS is utilising an electronic tendering tool to manage this exercise and communicate with potential providers. Accordingly, there will be no hard copy documents issued to potential providers and all communications with NECS, will be conducted via Atamis:

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

If you find that you need any advice or technical support on the Atamis portal please contact the helpdesk using the following details:

Phone: 0800 0988201

E-mail: [support-health@atamis.co.uk](mailto:support-health@atamis.co.uk)

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