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Planning

Secure Patients Transport

Birmingham & Solihull Mental Health Foundation Trust

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

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

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

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

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

Secure Patients Transport

Reference number

PROC.90.027

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust and University Hospital Birmingham Foundation Trust are looking to develop a multi-agency collaborative to provide a Secure Patient Transport service for patients, to be conveyed in appropriate vehicles depending on security requirements and mobility type.

It is intended to provide a high quality, patient led service to support patients detained under the Mental Health Act sectioned and voluntary patient at risk of absconding, causing harm to themselves, causing harm to others and in the interest of safety.

The Contract is for the supply of secure vehicle patient transportation Service. This will be 24 hours per day, 365 days per year during the period of the contract including Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays and the service provided must be promptly executed.

Vehicles must be available day and night to provide the service to the Trusts as required.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85100000 - Health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG3 - West Midlands

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The BSOL (Birmingham and Solihull) Procurement Collaborative (hosted by University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust) acting on behalf of Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust (BSMH), University Hospital Birmingham (UHB) is currently preparing to initiate a collaborative procurement exercise and intention to issue a

tender opportunity for the provision of Secure Patient Transport. The potential scale and scope of this service is such that it offers a significant opportunity to bidders.

Prior to initiating the procurement, the authorities wish to establish the level of market interest in participating in the procurement process by engaging with Provider (s) for feedback regarding service delivery, lotting structure and draft specification.

Provider (s) who express interest can access a copy of the Pre-engagement Packs as well as the draft service specification on Atamis, to which the authorities welcome feedback and comments by 17:00 on the 17/11/2025 as there is a planned virtual Provider meeting organised for the 26th and 25th of November 2025.

The Trust invite Provider(s) to confirm their interest through the Atamis portal by 17:00 on the 17/11/2025 following which will be invited to a virtual 121 meeting on the 26th of 27th of November 2025 (dates are not flexibles and individual times/days to be agreed on the 18/11/2025) which will comprise of a presentation and Q&A.

The route to market for this service falls in-scope of the Provider Selection Regime with the

specific procedure(s) as yet to be confirmed.

If you wish to participate, please confirm in writing via the Atamis portal by 17:00 on 17/11/2025.

Any questions asked by Provider(s) must be submitted thorough the Atamis portal only and

the Trust will publish anonymised questions plus responses through the same. The closing

date for questions is 12 noon 14.11.2025.

Provider(s) invited to the meeting on 26th and 27th are asked to provide their presentation slides

by Midday on the 21.11.2025 and submitted through the Atamis portal.

Please be advised that this notice is not a formal call for competition and participation in this

pre-market engagement day is voluntary.

All information provided to the Provider(s) by BSOL Procurement shall be regarded as confidential and used only to prepare a response to this market engagement.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 April 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: No

