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Planning

## AI Innovation Partner

Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust

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## Scope

## Reference

C409021

## Description

Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (EPUT) (The Authority) wishes to establish a strategic innovation partnership(s) to deliver rapid demonstrator projects proving the role of AI in assurance, safety, and regulatory intelligence.

The purpose of the market engagement is to gauge interest and connect with providers in the marketplace. The responses provided will be for information only and will not be assessed. The Authority welcomes engagement from SME's and large enterprises.

Please register to the Atamis platform and download the guidance document for further information.

### **Total value (estimated)**

- £166,666.67 excluding VAT
- £200,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027
- Possible extension to 31 March 2028
- 2 years

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 71356000 - Technical services
- 72200000 - Software programming and consultancy services
- 72300000 - Data services
- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services
- 72220000 - Systems and technical consultancy services

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### **Engagement**

## **Engagement deadline**

23 January 2026

## **Engagement process description**

The questionnaire will run on the Atamis portal: <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

How to access the Questionnaire on the portal:

- Suppliers should register on the portal, if not already registered.
- To express an interest in this preliminary market engagement, search and select contract reference: C409021 Market Engagement – AI Innovation Partner(s)
- Please complete the questionnaire within the requirements section.
- Suppliers can contact the Atamis helpdesk at – [support.health@atamis.co.uk](mailto:support.health@atamis.co.uk) or by calling 0800 9956035 for technical assistance when completing responses.

The closing time and date for the return of your responses is 12:00pm on 23rd January 2026. Responses received after this date may be considered at EPUTs discretion.

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
  - Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
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## Submission

### Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

20 February 2026

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### Contracting authority

#### Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PRRJ-6511-ZDJL

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government