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Planning

Commercial Partner for Aseptic Services

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust

University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust

South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust

The County Hospital

George Eliot Hospital NHS Trust

University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust

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Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The [previous version](#) is still available.

Instruction Change for contacting the buyer

Scope

Reference

C402532

Description

The Founding NHS Trusts seek a commercial partner to establish an innovative company to design, build, commission, and operate a purpose-built MHRA-licensed aseptic manufacturing facility serving the West Midlands region. The Founding NHS Trusts would be an associate having significant control. This partnership will address critical regional infrastructure challenges where aging NHS facilities require significant capital investment. The model would seek to leverage commercial capital (£20 million+) and operational expertise while maintaining NHS clinical governance and providing founding trusts with at-cost services.

Chemotherapy and cytotoxic preparations

CIVAS (Centralised Intravenous Additive Services)

OPAT (Outpatient Parenteral Antimicrobial Therapy)

Non-cytotoxic monoclonal antibodies

Advanced Therapy Medicinal Products (ATMPs)

Other sterile preparations (intrathecal, intra-articular, epidural, ophthalmic)

Excluded: Radiopharmaceuticals, Clinical trial/IMP preparation

The Founding NHS Trusts intend to conduct Preliminary Market Engagement following publication of this notice and prior to publishing the Tender Notice.

Purpose:

Present detailed commercial opportunity to potential bidders. Gather market intelligence on innovative facility design and operational approaches.

CONTRACTING AUTHORITY RIGHTS

The Founding NHS Trusts reserve the right to:

Amend or cancel the procurement at any stage

Vary the procurement timetable

Request clarifications or additional information

Reject any or all tenders

Negotiate final terms with preferred bidder to inform final business case for sign-off by the Founding Trust Boards and NHSE

Not award a contract if no suitable bidder is identified

It also needs to be noted that Cabinet Office Spend Controls prior to ITT release would need to approve the progression.

Total value (estimated)

- £241,785,880.53 excluding VAT
- £290,143,056.60 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 3 August 2026 to 2 August 2036
- Possible extension to 3 August 2041
- 15 years, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85149000 - Pharmacy services
- 33600000 - Pharmaceutical products
- 45200000 - Works for complete or part construction and civil engineering work
- 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKG11 - Herefordshire, County of
- UKG12 - Worcestershire
- UKG13 - Warwickshire
- UKG3 - West Midlands
- UKG31 - Birmingham
- UKG32 - Solihull
- UKG33 - Coventry

Engagement

Engagement deadline

16 January 2026

Engagement process description

We are seeking suppliers who are currently operating or have capability to operate a aseptic compounding unit in the West Midlands.

Can you please confirm attendance to a MS Teams invite on the following dates, times will be provided by the Trust first come basis, each session will be a max 30mins:

Wednesday 7th January 2026 12.30 onwards

Friday 9th January 2026 2pm onwards

Please contact Sanjeev Narwal (Director of Procurement) at sanjeev.narwal@nhs.net to attend one of the engagement days.

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

30 March 2026

Contracting authorities

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PPWB-7691-MHZW

Worcestershire Royal Hospital, Charles Hastings Way

Worcester

WR5 1DD

United Kingdom

Telephone: 07738289955

Email: sanjeev.narwal@nhs.net

Website: <https://www.worcsacute.nhs.uk/>

Region: UKG12 - Worcestershire

Organisation type: Public authority - central government

University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PWVL-6877-BXXV

Mindelsohn Way

Birmingham

B15 2WB

United Kingdom

Email: inderjit.singh@uhb.nhs.uk

Website: <https://www.uhb.nhs.uk/>

Region: UKG31 - Birmingham

Organisation type: Public authority - central government

South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PCMR-6216-YPCN

Lakin Road

Warwick

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Website: <https://www.swft.nhs.uk/>

Region: UKG13 - Warwickshire

Organisation type: Public authority - central government

The County Hospital

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLDJ-8822-VTPH

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Website: <https://www.wyevalley.nhs.uk/>

Region: UKG11 - Herefordshire, County of

Organisation type: Public authority - central government

George Eliot Hospital NHS Trust

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLLQ-5235-JHXX

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Region: UKG13 - Warwickshire

Organisation type: Public authority - central government

University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PRHL-1766-CNQP

Clifford Bridge Road, Walsgrave

Coventry

CV2 2DX

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Email: amar.bhagwan@uhcw.nhs.uk

Website: <https://www.uhcw.nhs.uk>

Region: UKG33 - Coventry

Organisation type: Public authority - central government

Contact organisation

Contact Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust for any enquiries.