

Dermatology Services


Contract Start:

21 February 2021

3 years + option to extend 1 year

OJEU Reference:

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Background

The Framework for the Provision of Dermatology Services is designed to meet the increasing need for short-term, long-term, and ad-hoc contracting for the NHS. The framework supports generation of additional capacity to meet increasing demands, supporting waiting list initiatives as well as longer term contracts for new requirements to support wider system delivery of NHS services. Through the framework we provide a solution which allows trusts to retain capacity planning in-house, ensuring patients can be seen either within the trust, with a provider utilising NHS premises and equipment, or locally with providers delivering CQC registered services utilising their own premises and equipment.

Contract benefits

- Increased visibility of the patient pathway and greater resilience of local services
- OJEU compliant framework agreement allows eligible organisations to call off services in a flexible and timely manner
- Triage and clinical assessment of patients for a range of conditions
- Clinically appropriate diagnostics and treatment, in accordance with Participating NHS Trust Authority procedure
- Provision of onward referral or discharge as appropriate, in accordance with Participating NHS Trust Authority procedure
- Follow up patient appointments for the duration of the contract period
- Flexible service delivery options
- Call off contracts governed by NHS England Head Provider and Sub-Contract Terms and Conditions (full and shorter versions available for use)
- Service specifications available against the framework are compliant with the British Association of Dermatologists (BAD) and NHS England

The Hub is a collaborative NHS organisation that works with customers by using procurement and commercial expertise to drive value and efficiencies across the NHS.

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Key benefits

UK Wide coverage

- The framework offers coverage of dermatology services through a number of providers offering full UK coverage. Additionally, providers awarded to the framework have identified the STP/ICS areas they can support, enabling future system-led service developments.

OJEU Compliance

- A detailed procurement exercise has taken place to ensure that suppliers selected are appropriate in terms of meeting all legislative requirements and therefore no formal tendering is required, saving valuable time and money in the procurement process.

Award Options

- The framework supports both direct award and mini competition.

Implementation Support

- Support and user guidance documents are available to assist in the implementation of the agreement.

Agile Framework

- The East of England NHS Collaborative Procurement Hub framework will be reopened periodically, currently anticipated to be at least once a year, to on-board additional providers to the framework supporting new entrants to markets, and existing providers who are able to deliver against a wider service ICS footprint.

Common terms and conditions

Robust terms and conditions have been set against the Framework for the Provision of Dermatology Services. These support trusts in outsourcing and insourcing dermatology services and are used to ensure trusts performance is measured consistently. This allows trusts to commission or sub-contract services as head provider, allowing for terms and service delivery obligations in their own contracts under NHS England to flow down from the trust through to the call-off contracts.

Suppliers

18 Week Support, Barts Health, Circle Clinical Services Limited, DMC Healthcare, Healthcare Business Solutions UK Ltd, ICS Operations Limited, ID Medical Group Limited, Modality LLP, MySkinDoctor, One Medicare t/a One Primary Care LLP, Portland Clinical Limited, Shakespeare Clinic Limited, Virgin Care Services Ltd, Vita Health Group.

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