



Frequently asked questions for suppliers

1. What organisations are included in the Workforce Alliance?

NHS Procurement in Partnership is a four Hub collaboration between NHS Commercial Solutions, East of England NHS Collaborative Procurement Hub, NHS North of England Commercial Procurement Collaborative and NHS London Procurement Partnership. This collaboration enables NHS PiP to utilise the collective expertise of each organisation, facilitate aggregation, avoid unnecessary duplication and influence the procurement landscape to best effect for the NHS.

Crown Commercial Service (CCS) helps organisations across the entire public sector get the best deals on the goods and services they need to run their organisations, from temporary staff and facilities management to fleet and IT. CCS work across several key customer sectors including central government and what we refer to as the wider public sector - which includes local authorities, schools, hospitals, charities, and housing associations.

2. How will tender opportunities be published?

Information regarding new opportunities will be available in the usual way through both CCS and NHS Procurement in Partnership websites. Notifications for opportunities will also be available through TED.

3. What will happen to the planned Health Sector Resourcing framework?

The CCS Health Sector Resourcing framework has been superseded by the new Workforce Alliance frameworks.

4. How are suppliers going to be managed under this new collaboration?

Suppliers will continue to be managed against framework requirements; this will be undertaken as part of a Workforce Alliance team.

5. Who do suppliers contact about existing frameworks?

Existing suppliers should continue to contact your relevant regional hub or your contact at Crown Commercial Service for enquiries and support.

6. What are the next steps for suppliers using the existing NHS Procurement in Partnership National Clinical Staffing framework agreement?

We have extended this framework until August 2020. Please follow the [link](#) for more information.

7. If you are a new supplier, how do you access the frameworks?

If you are not an existing supplier and would like further information about the partnership, please contact your relevant regional hub or your contact at Crown Commercial Service.



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