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Subject: Bidding Cost

REQUEST & RESPONSE

This is a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The requested information relates to the costs of bidding in procurements and tenders.

The "procurements and tenders" this request covers are Part B health services, patient transport services and community healthcare provision. They include Any Qualified Provider and Any Willing Provider processes (including aborted Wheelchair AQPs), and framework agreements. They do not include procurement of supplies of goods, or procurement of care homes, Continuing Healthcare, domiciliary care, or supported housing - these are all excluded from the scope of this request. Part B health services are those covered by Part B of Schedule 3 of the Public Services Contracts Regulations 2006.

1. Please provide a list of all NHS procurements and tenders that the Trust bid for, where the Trust's involvement in the procurement/tender ended during the financial year 2013/14. A Trust's involvement in the procurement/tender should be considered to have "ended" at the point either when the Trust's bid was accepted (including selection of the Trust as "preferred bidder"), when the Trust's bid was rejected (including selection of an alternative "preferred bidder"), or when the tender/procurement was cancelled.

For each bid, please state which entity (e.g. CCG) was the procuring authority, what the procurement/tender was for, and whether the Trust's involvement in the procurement ended as either (a) selected/preferred bidder; (b) rejected bidder; or (c) procurement/tender cancelled



Tenders
2013-14.xlsx

2. For each bid listed in response to question 1, please give a monetary value for the financial cost to the Trust of each bid where the Trust was *not* the

selected/preferred bidder. Ideally, this value will include (but not be limited to) the following:

The Trust withdrew from the process prior to submission of documentation for the only tender where it was not awarded the contract in 2013/14.

- staffing time/staff costs
- legal advice and costs of any related litigation
- costs of financial advice/management consultants
- upfront bid costs demanded by the procuring authority (where not subsequently refunded)

Alternatively, if this level of detail is not available, please provide any figure the CCG has recorded (or budgeted) for total expenditure on each bid, with a brief outline of what that figure comprises (for example, it may include staff costs but exclude costs of legal advice).

As the team that manages the process is small with multiple other responsibilities, the Trust does not record the costs of responding to tenders as a separate item.

The Trust does not have access to CCG expenditure.

Should responding to this request exceed the section 12 cost limit, please exclude all Any Qualified Provider exercises from this request and provide a response covering all other eligible tender/procurement exercises.

I would like the information sent electronically, preferably as a .xlsx Excel spreadsheet. Please let me know if you have any questions or require any clarifications.