

AHVLA News Release

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Invitation to tender issued for veterinary reserve personnel and expert advice

An Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) notice has been issued inviting businesses to tender for a new Government Framework Agreement for the supply of services to provide veterinary personnel and/or veterinary expert advice.

The purpose of this procurement exercise is to enable AHVLA to appoint providers that will be able to supply vets (Lot 1) and/or expert advice (Lot 2). Successful providers will be appointed onto a multi-supplier Framework that will be available for use primarily by AHVLA, but will also be available to other government organisations in the UK.

From time to time AHVLA may have requirements for additional, temporary veterinary personnel, and/or expert advice, to meet the demands during an outbreak of exotic notifiable disease or to meet other short term business needs. This Framework will compliment, rather than replace, other contingency arrangements (including international arrangements) that are currently held.

For the Lot 1 category, businesses will need to be able to provide a minimum of ten vets. In Lot 2, businesses will need to be able to offer the services of at least one veterinary expert. Businesses can either tender for one or both lots.

More information can be found in the 'view current opportunities' area at <https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk/>.

The deadline for receipt of tender applications is 26 October 2011.

All questions should be submitted via the online messaging system <https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk/>.

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Note to editors:

1. AHVLA is an executive agency of Defra. It works throughout Great Britain on behalf of Defra, the Welsh Government, the Scottish Government and the Food Standards Agency. We primarily seek to minimise the risk and impact of notifiable animal diseases for the protection of the economy and public health.

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