

# Supplier Briefing

Agency Labour – Clinical and Support HPVITS2024-081

16 August 2024

2pm – 3pm

### Questions?

If you have any questions during the session, please ask them via the chat and we will address them at the end.

In your question, please start with your **Name and Organisation** e.g. Lorena Aguilera (HealthShare Victoria) Will a copy of the slides be available after the session?

### Agenda

#### **HSV Overview**

#### **Invitation to Supply**

- Proposed Timeline
- Category objectives
- Proposed categories in scope
- Other information (e.g. Support services required)

#### **HSV Procurement Portal**

#### **Next Steps**



### HealthShare Victoria

#### Our purpose

- HSV is an independent public sector and commercially oriented supply chain, procurement and corporate services organisation.
- HSV partners with public health services and suppliers to deliver significant public health system benefits including consistent access to goods, improved quality of care and substantial savings, helping to deliver better healthcare for all

#### **Our core functions**

- Manage a state-wide supply chain for medical consumables, including PPE
- Coordinate state-wide strategic procurement
- Deliver more efficient corporate services

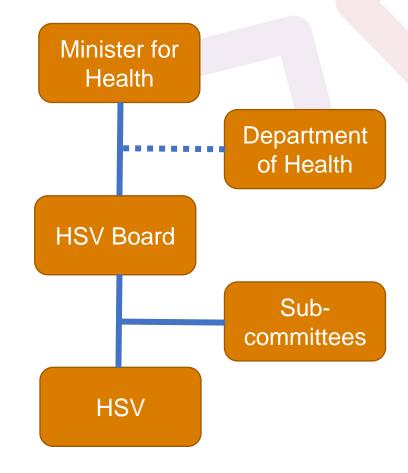
#### **Our vision**

We help to deliver safe, affordable and sustainable healthcare.



### **HSV** Organisation

- Independent statutory authority funded by the Department of Health
- Established on 1 January 2021, HSV brings the former Health Purchasing Victoria's existing functions and major supply chain assets under single management
- Receives legislative support to establish whole of health contracts
- Processes based on the Victorian Government Procurement Board's Strategic Sourcing Principles



### **HSV** Objectives

- Facilitate access by public hospitals and health services to goods, services and equipment on best-value terms
- Combine the collective purchasing power of more than 80 legal entities to establish whole-of-health contracts
- Foster supply chain and process improvement, through developing relationships with suppliers and health services
- Ensure probity is maintained in purchasing, sourcing and contracting activities

### Supplier Code of Conduct

The Victorian State Government is committed to ethical, sustainable and socially responsible procurement.

In ensuring that our suppliers maintain the same values as the Government, the State has established a <u>Supplier Code of Conduct</u>.

The Code outlines minimum ethical standards in behaviour that suppliers will aspire to meet when conducting business with, or on behalf of, the State:

- integrity, ethics and conduct
- conflict of interest, gifts, benefits and hospitality
- corporate governance
- labour and human rights
- health and safety
- environmental management

It is a mandatory requirement that you understand and acknowledge commitment to the code, and ensure it is understood by related parties, contractors and sub-contractors if awarded.



### Modern slavery mandatory minimum standards

**Standard** 

Descriptor

What compliance looks like



**Policy** 

An anti-modern

slavery policy

commitment

Implemented

Modern Slavery

Policy

#### **Due Diligence**

Processes to identify, assess and address modern slavery risk

Risks identified in supply chain and operations



#### Remedy

Processes to remedy adverse modern slavery impacts

Grievance mechanism in place



#### **Training**

Training for own employees and supply chain

> **Implemented** training and awareness program



#### **Effectiveness**

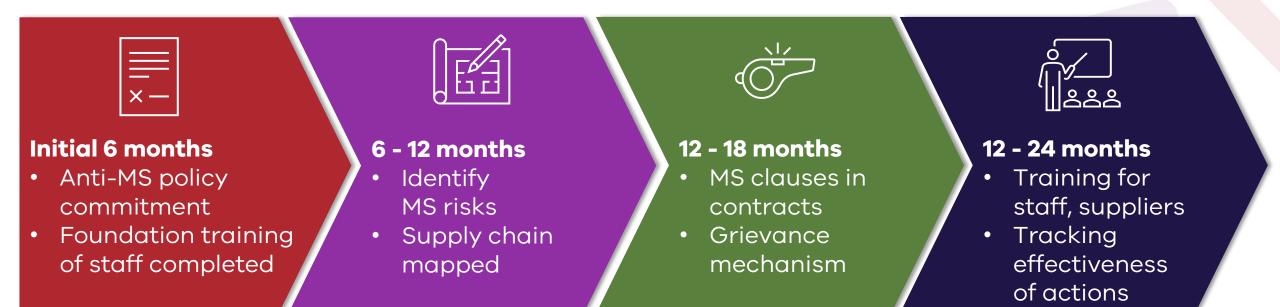
Processes to track the effectiveness of actions taken

Measures tracking effectiveness of actions

#### **Progressive Realisation**



### Compliance with Mandatory Minimum Standards (MMS)



HSV's modern slavery program requires suppliers to commit to and demonstrate progressive realisation of the above standards.

A link to HSV's Mandatory Minimum Standards can be found <u>here</u>

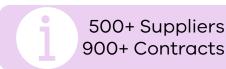


### Master Supply Agreement

#### **Current state**

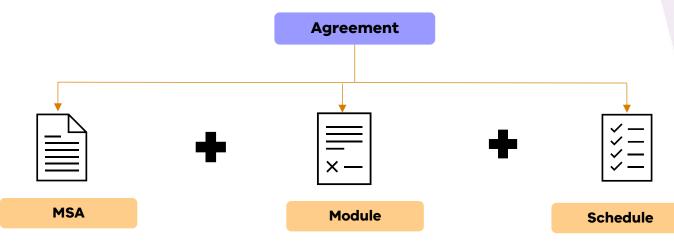


Individual suppliers sign a document containing operational, legal and other standard terms and conditions, service deliverables, pricing and schedules.





#### Future for all <u>NEW</u> market approaches



- Master Supply Agreement (MSA) with legal and standard (nonoperational) terms will be available online.
- Standard terms that everyone is to agree
- Module containing operational terms – departures are not welcome but there may be an operational term specific to the category that needs to be redressed.
- Once fully signed, every Module will incorporate the current MSA terms by reference.
- Modules will contain all Schedules that are applicable to the category.



### Local Jobs First

Through Local Jobs First (LJF) policy, the Victorian Government is committed to improving opportunities for local suppliers to create more new jobs and grow the economy.

The policy is to ensure that small and medium size enterprises (SMEs) are given a full and fair opportunity to compete for government contracts, such as hospitals, schools and road projects, while still achieving value for money.

#### What you need to know

- You are **not** required to provide a Local Industry Development Plan (LIDP) at this stage
- If awarded to contract, you might be subsequently requested to produce a LIDP to support the evaluation of your offer

### Fair Jobs Code

The Fair Jobs Code (FJC) aims to improve employment outcomes for persons employed by suppliers and service providers to the Victorian Government. The FJC is implemented by Victorian Government departments, agencies and public bodies to help support and promote fair labour standards and to ensure compliance with employment law.

The FJC applies to the purchase of goods and/or services, regardless of the method of procurement.

The FJC applies to threshold procurement contracts (contracts with a value of \$3 million or more exclusive of GST) and high value procurement contracts (contracts with a value of \$20million or more exclusive of GST).

For further information, Respondents should refer to the FJC and FJC Guidelines which can be found at www.buyingfor.vic.gov.au/fair-jobs-code-guidelines-suppliers-and-businesses

Successful respondents must complete:

Fair Jobs Code Pre-Assessment Certificate

Fair Jobs Code Plan

Agreement and continuing FJC obligations

Please see Part 3: Respondent's Offer section 11. Fair Jobs Code in the Part 1-7 ITS documents.

# Invitation to Supply (ITS)

### ITS Objectives

- Achieve Best Value for Money
  - implement structured pricing model which meets the requirements of Victorian Public Health Services
- Strategic Partnerships
  - Create strategic partnerships with suppliers to ensure continuity of service
- Supplier Relationship Management (SRM)
  - Develop SRM through a comprehensive framework.
- Transparent and efficient bidding process

### Scope

- Supply of Agency Labour casual shifts' basis
- State-wide coverage
  - Metro, Regional, Rural and Remote health services
- Term
  - Five (5) year Agreement

### Scope

#### **Pricing**

- State-wide standardised pricing
- Supplier margin fee based on engagement duration
- Regional allowance

#### **Award Structure**

 Aiming for broad award scenario to provide maximum geographic service coverage and availability

#### Contract Management

- Framework to be established to ensure continuity of service
- SupplierRelationshipManagement



### Categories

Category Number	Category	Sub-category
1	Nursing & Midwifery	1.1 Registered Nurses & Midwives
		1.2 Enrolled Nurses
2	Psychiatric Nurses	2.1 Registered Nurses
		2.2 Enrolled Nurses
3	Clinical Support	3.1 Instrument Technicians
		3.2 Theatre Technicians
		3.3 Health Care Workers (HCW)
		3.4 Patient Service Assistants (PSAs)
4	Non-Clinical Support	4.1 Food & Domestic Services Assistance
		4.2 Trade Cooks
		4.3 Housekeepers
		4.4 Cleaners/Orderly

### Tentative Timeline

<b>Key Activities</b>	Date
Industry Briefing Session	16 August 2024
ITS Release Date	21 August 2024
Last date for ITS questions	13 September 2024 14:00 AEST
ITS Closing Date and Time	18 September 2024 14:00 AEST
Evaluation completed by	Mid-October
Respondents advised of outcome	*October / November
Agreement Commencement Date	24 November 2024

<sup>\*</sup>subject to change



### Who should participate?

#### **Agency Labour services providers:**

- Capability to service state-wide requirements
- Meets specific evaluation criteria including mandatory requirements
  - Experienced and qualified Contract Personnel
  - Meets Audit requirements
  - Reporting

### **ITS Process**

**Register** on the HSV website to access the **Procurement Portal Read** the instructions and familiarise yourself with the requirements **Complete** all response requirements Check the submission thoroughly & complete submission checklist Submit on time

### ITS Deliverables

Responses to the Qualitative and Technical envelopes in Procurement Portal

Completed Tender Response Worksheet Completed response sheets and forms

# Submission Guidance



### General Guidance

- Consult publicly available information arm yourself with information for success (Local Jobs First, existing scope and participating health services under the current contract)
- Read all instructions carefully
- Answer all questions in full / Provide all requested information

- Provide clear labelling of attachment files names
- Check the messaging system often
- Ask questions if unsure
- Check everything thoroughly
- Aim to submit a week prior to close- you can amend and resubmit up to close date

### General Guidance

Do not assume your company is known or well known by the evaluators



- Do not use acronyms or abbreviations
- Do not cross-refer to other questions or answers in your responses
- Avoid incomplete or inconclusive answers
- Avoid illegible scanned PDFs
- Avoid unnecessary marketing material

### Tender Response Worksheet (TRW)

- Tender Response Worksheet contains detailed information on the services required
- Used for evaluation (supplier pricing submission)
- Used to create the future pricing schedule for participating health services (PHS)

#### Instructions for completion

- Complete <u>all</u> requested information
- Do not add columns, rows
- Provide responses in the requested format

### Data Integrity in TRW

- Clarification may be required for poor quality information
- There won't be opportunity to amend submissions after the close date – ensure it is correct at time of submission
- Poor quality data may result in HSV deeming your response noncomplying and set it aside from further evaluation

### Common Issues

 A submission that factors all of the requirements and relevant risks into pricing is preferable over a submission that assumes they will not apply.

#### Do not include conditionality in the base bid

- Failure to submit a base level submission may result in disqualification
- · If you must qualify a submission, provide the case in an alternative bid
- Do not assume the same terms and conditions, award scenario or conduct from the previous contract- e.g., pricing is based on the current volume/sole award

### Wording to avoid

- 'Will be provided on request'
- 'Will be provided if successful'
- 'Refer to section XX'
- 'Refer to attachment XX'
- 'Refer to covering letter'
- 'Already provided in previous tender'

### Tips for Responding

- Remember to save regularly
- Submit early you can overwrite your information up to the time of closing. Late tenders may only be accepted under the late tenders clause of the ITS conditions
- Multiple users can work on the submission, however only one user should be logged on at a time to avoid data errors.

# HSV Procurement Portal

### **Procurement Portal**

Tender document download, tender related questions, and tender submission from the HSV Procurement Portal ONLY

Register/Access at <u>healthsharevic.org.au</u>

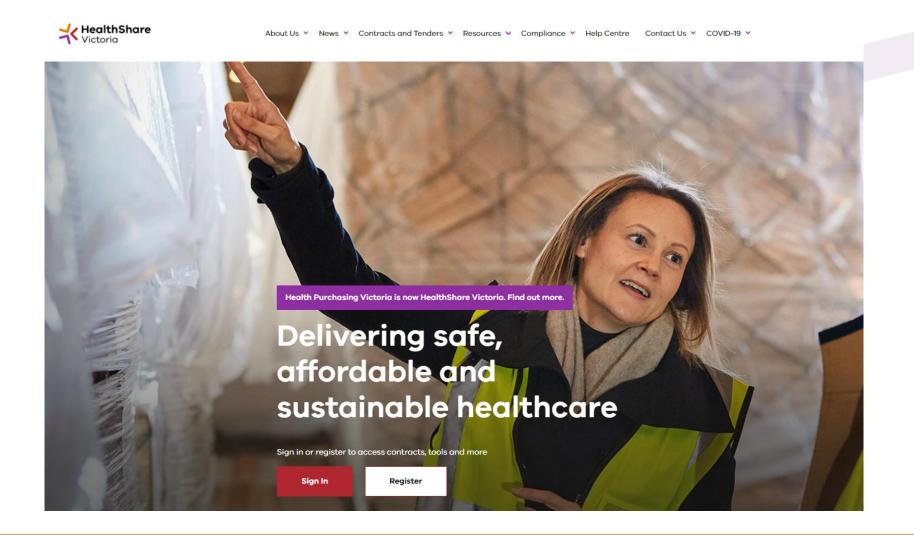
Each HSV Procurement Portal company account has one superuser responsible for managing subusers, including visibility of the EOI documentation

Technical Issues? Contact HSV Procurement Portal (Jaggaer)
Customer Support

Ph: 02 8074 8627 <a href="mailto:customersupport@jaggaer.com">customersupport@jaggaer.com</a>



#### **New User?** Go to <u>healthsharevic.org.au</u> and click *Register*



#### Register

Welcome to HealthShare Victoria's website. To register for an account to access targeted content, please register as a supplier or health service below.



To create your account:

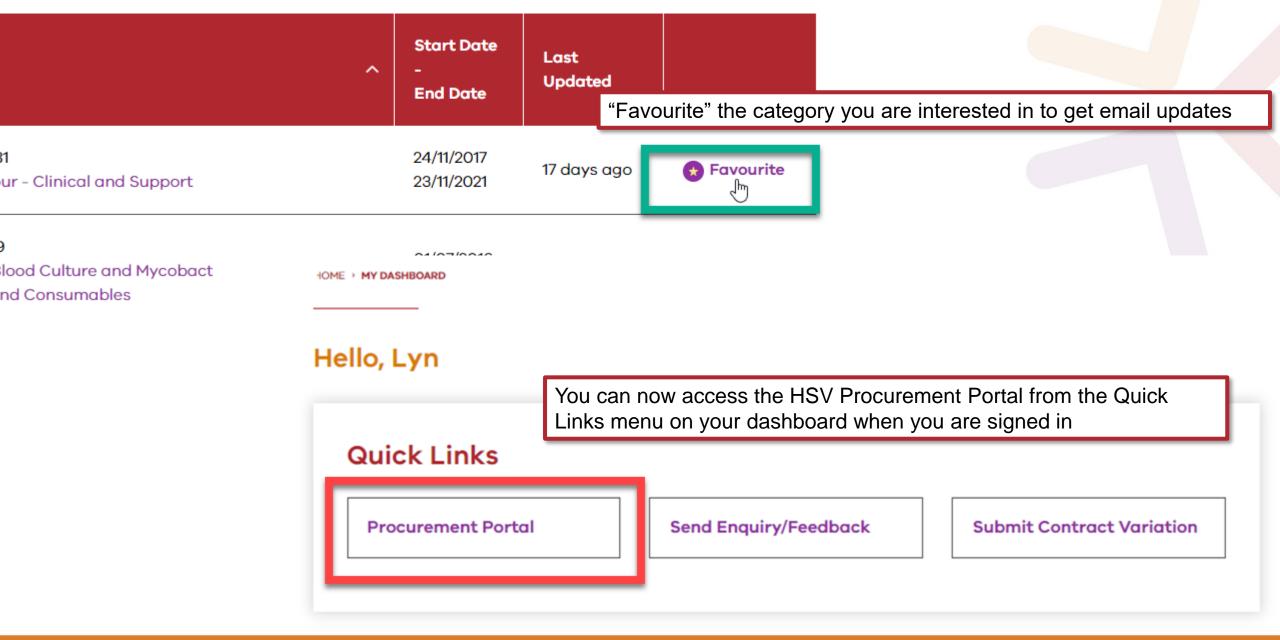
- 1. Select the "I am a Supplier" option
- 2. Enter your business specific email address
- 3. Click "Next"

**Complete your registration** and you will receive a new account email with a password setup link

Important! Tender under the ABN that would sign the contract!

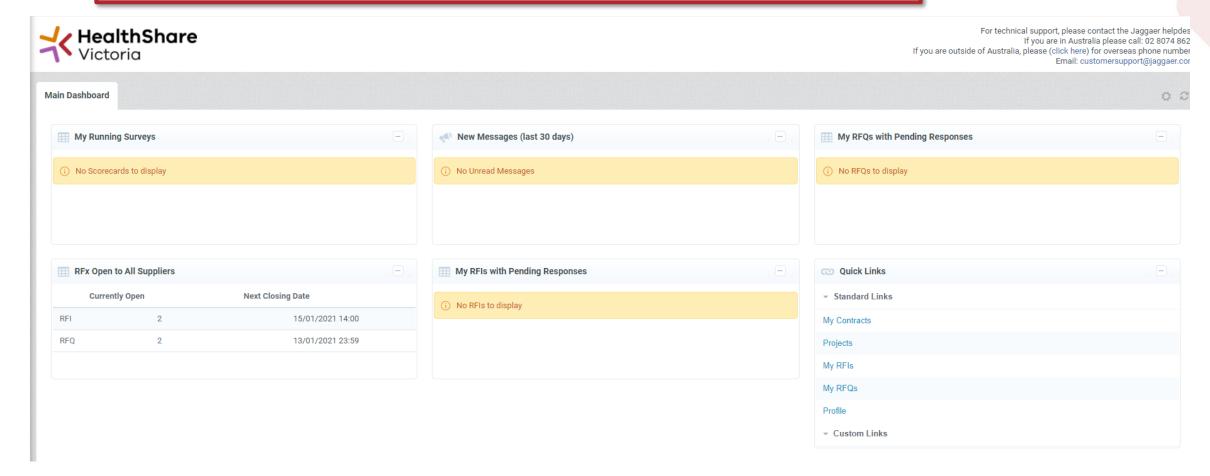
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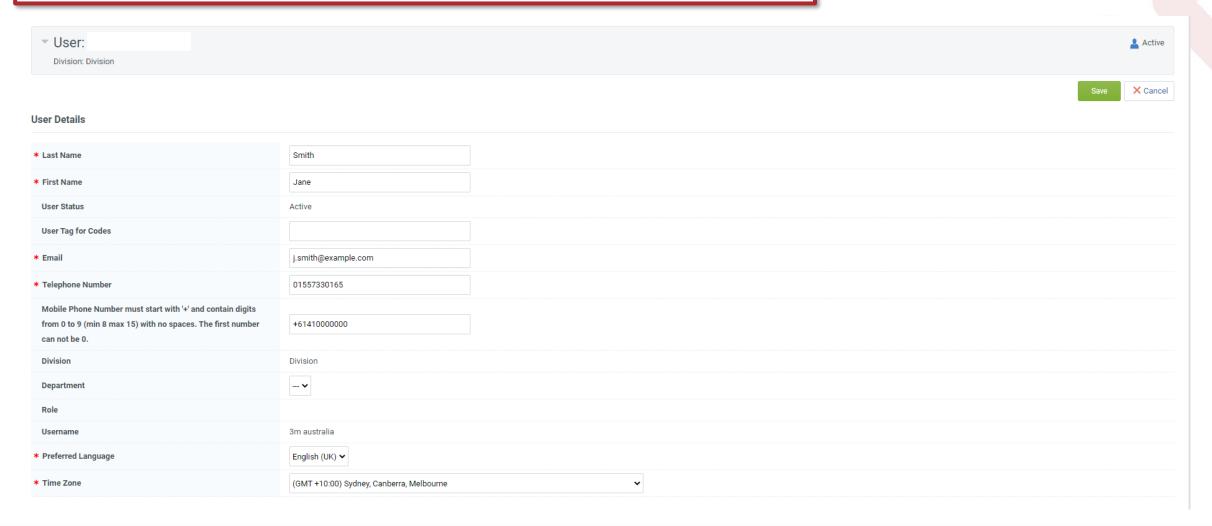




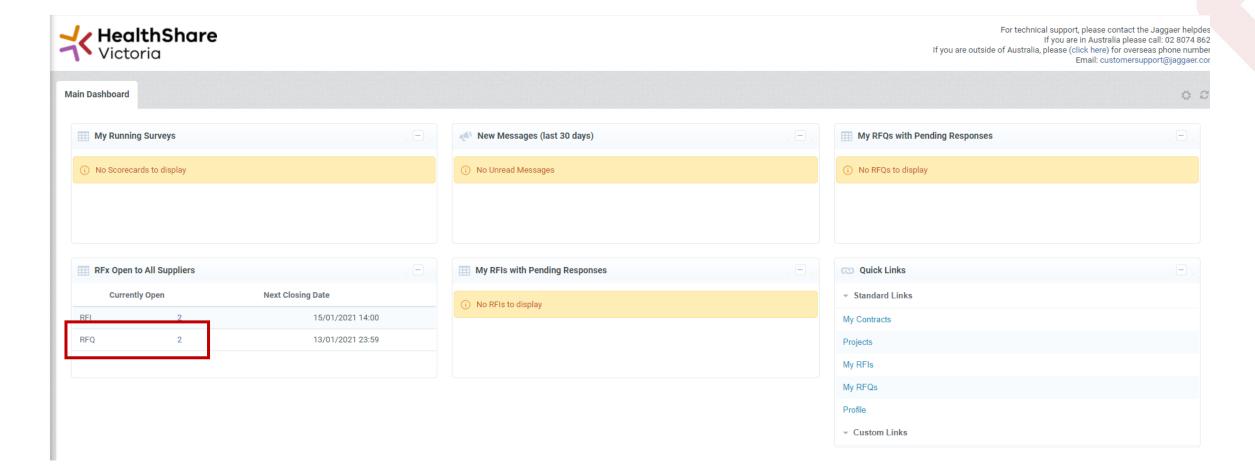
You will be directed to the Procurement Portal where you can access any open RFx or edit your personal profile



If you are the Super User you will receive all system alerts. Add additional contact email addresses to yours using; as a separator.

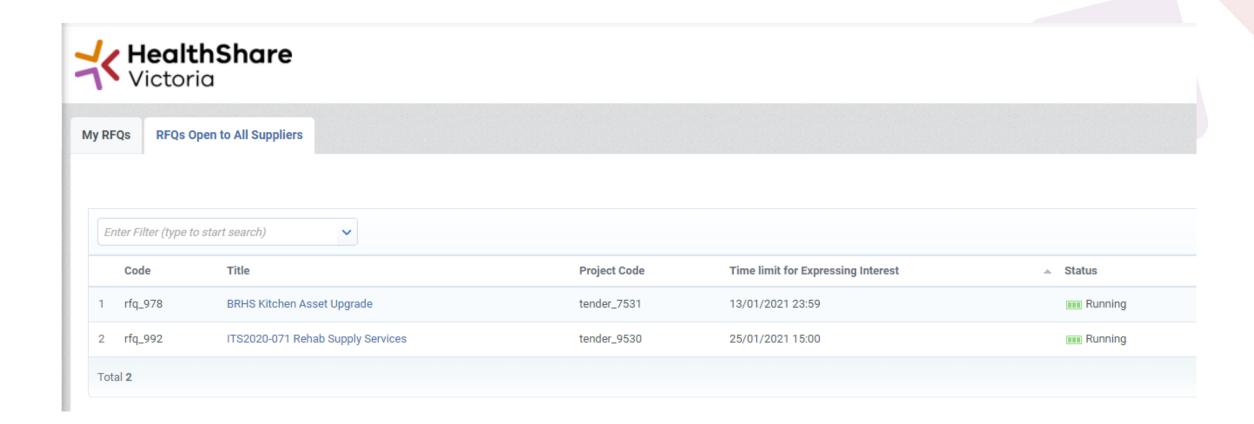


#### From the Portal click on the 'RFQ' line within the 'RFx Open to All Suppliers'





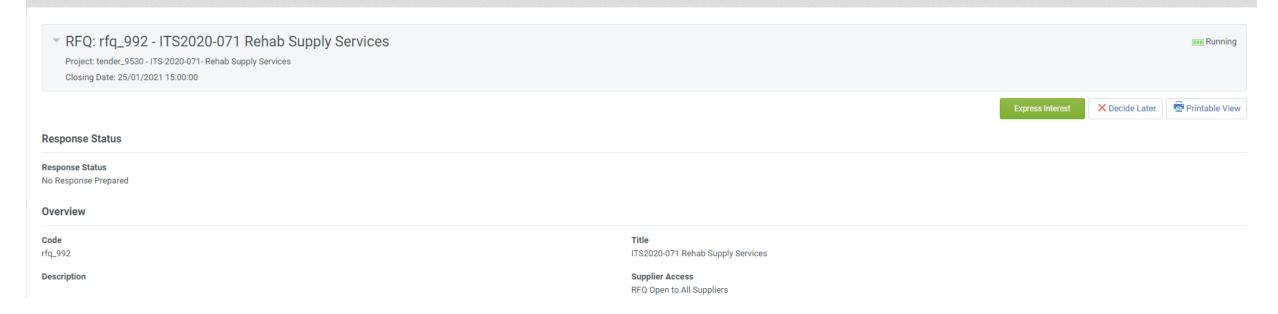
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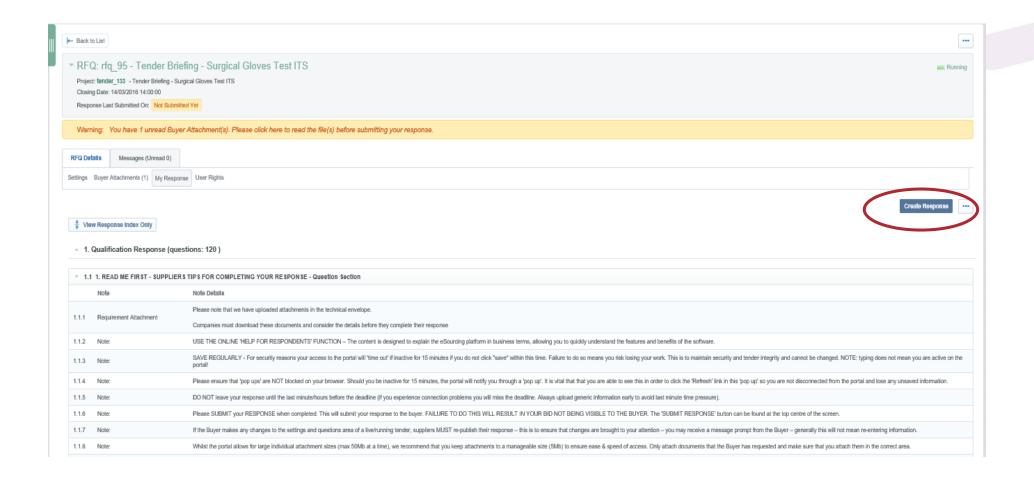
#### Click on 'Express Interest'. This is the only way to access the event.



For technical support, please contact the Jaggaer helpdes
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If you are outside of Australia, please (click here) for overseas phone number
Email: customersupport@jaggaer.cor

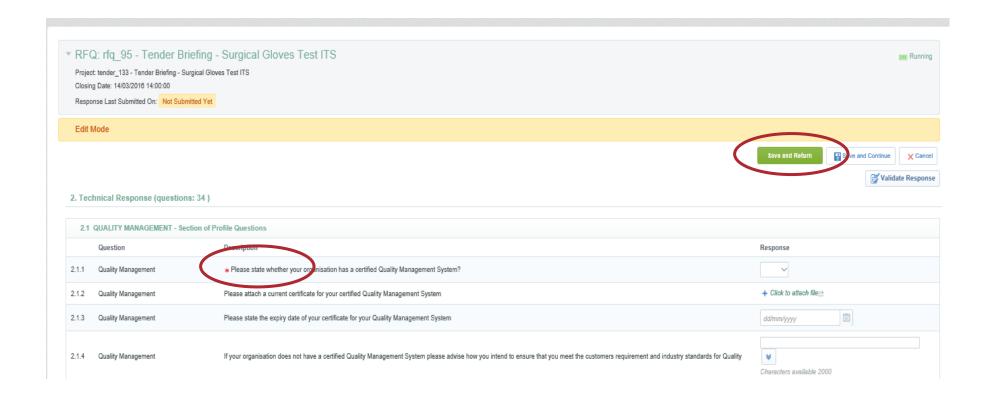


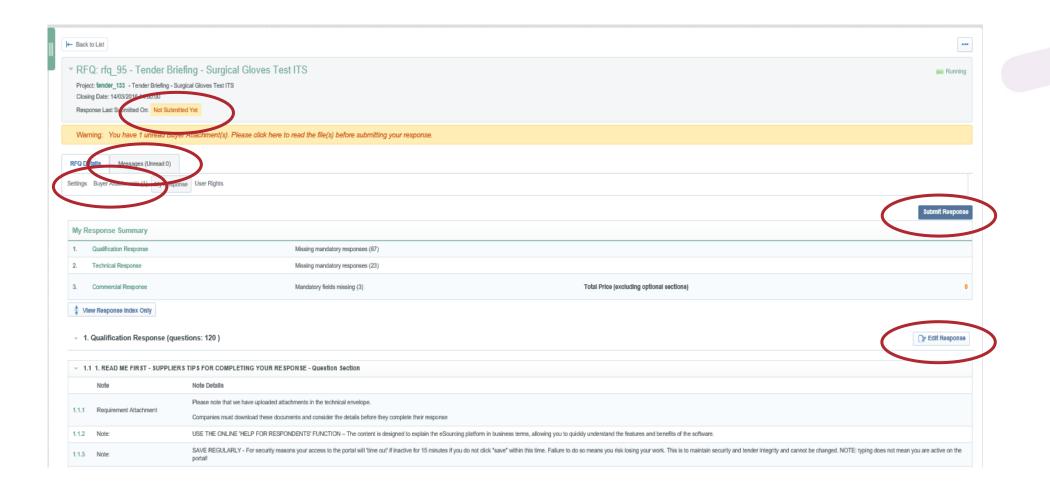
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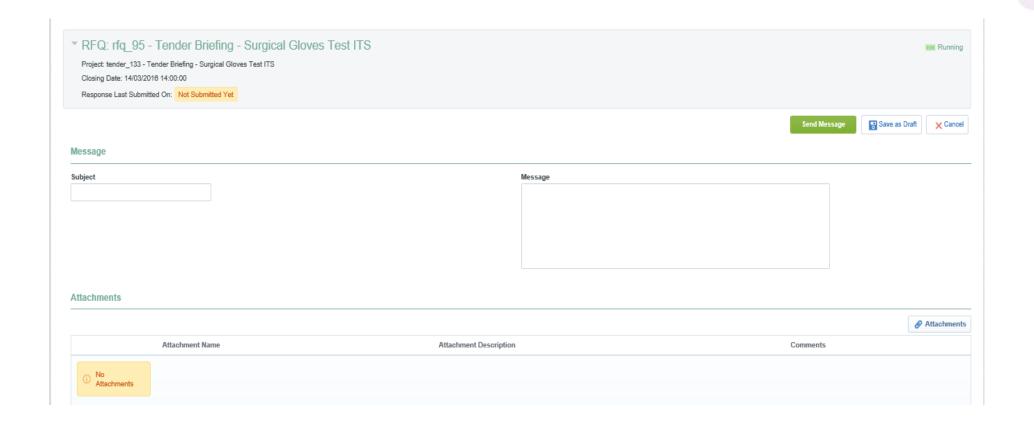
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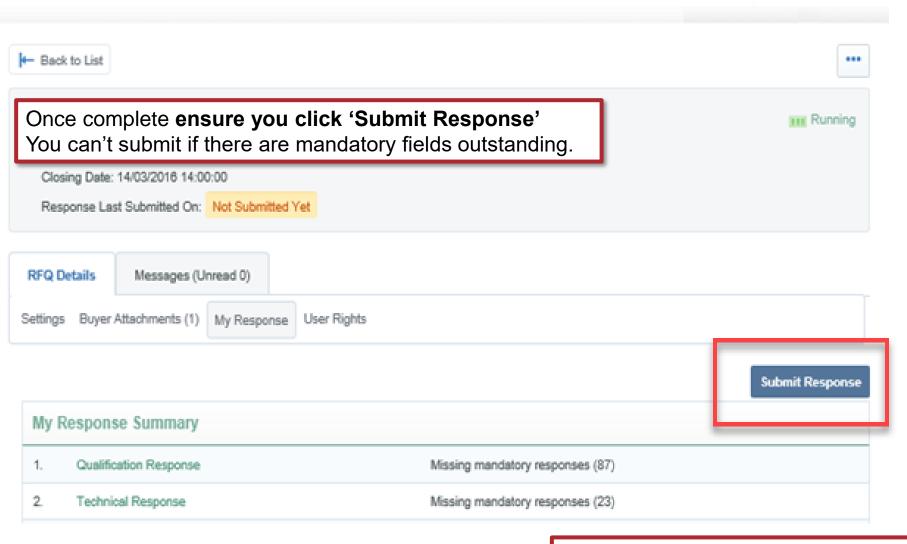
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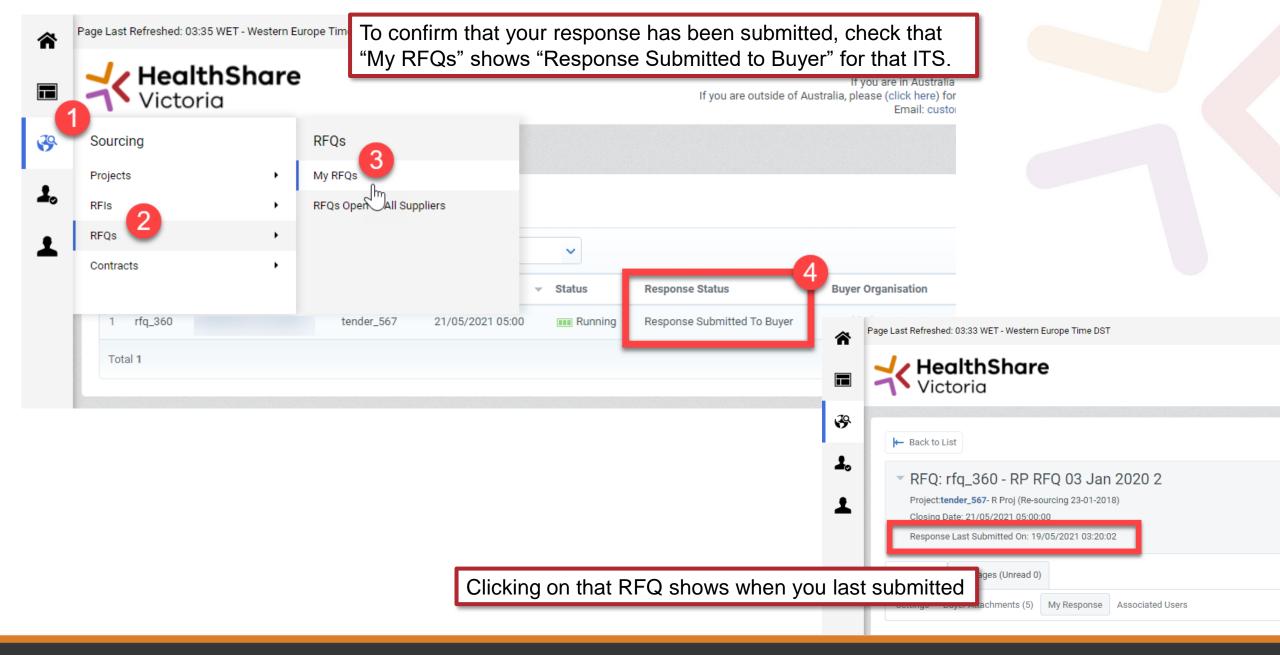


If you need to send a clarification question to HSV use the secure messaging function





Note that responses – including pricing – are sealed until tender close. Your response is locked and inaccessible to the buyer until then.







## Questions?

Further questions until ITS release may be submitted to <a href="mailto:helpdesk@healthsharevic.org.au">helpdesk@healthsharevic.org.au</a>

All participant questions during the ITS must be raised via the **HSV Procurement Portal** messaging function within the ITS event.

Questions and responses will be available to participants as an FAQ register included in the ITS files.