HSE COMPRESSION GARMENT SYSTEMS

Mary Costello, TVN, MScN Adv Practice, PhD Scholar RCSI
Present Systems

- Geographical inequalities
- Varying ordering systems
- Private sector and public sector prescribers
- Inappropriate/ lengthy wait times from ordering to delivery of garments
Procurement

AIM

- to achieve uniformity of products and service provision,
- standard ‘fair’ price for acute and community.

SCOPE

- the contract is for the supply to all the 9 Community Healthcare Organisations (CHOs) and the hospitals and organisations
Community Funded Schemes

Community Funded Schemes (CFS) are an important component of the Health Services that are provided in the community. They play an important role in ensuring that members of the community have access to vital aids and appliances that are an essential support to their care plans and ensuring that the quality of life of individuals living with medical conditions can be maximised.
Multidisciplinary Team

The commencement of the development of the tender process began in April 2017.

Team members include,

**OT, PHYSIOTHERAPY, TISSUE VIABILITY AND PROCUREMENT.**
This is a competition for the establishment of a Multi-Vendor Framework Agreement appointing qualified and competent providers to meet the requirement for the supply of Compression Garment Systems.
METHODOLOGY

The methodology for evaluation of Tenders is outlined in the following stages:

1. Qualitative Selection Criteria

2. Award Criteria;
   - Quality
   - Cost
   - After sales service
Quality

- Product Comfort
- Product Design
- Product Information / Instruction
- Product Range/Ranges of sizes available
- Ease of Application/Removal
- Durability/Elasticity
- Non-Slip/Non Roll
After sales service

- It is a requirement of the HSE that successful Tenderers provide educational support to Clinical Areas and provide current, up to date information and continuing Clinical Evidence on Graduated Hosiery products they supply
- Education provision in the area of garment measurement.
- Clinician support
Cost

- Cost of delivery
- Cost per item
- Cost of consumables and / or accessories
Ultimate Goal

- Equality of provision of compression garments to the HSE clients
- Standardisation of provision in all CHO areas
- Value for money
- Appropriate prescription of garment by a recognised prescriber.
- Uniformity of ordering systems