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Award

Outsourcing of Histology samples

CTM UHB

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Outsourcing of Histology samples

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Cwm Taf Morgannwg uhb requires to outsource Histology samples and reporting to tackle the existing backlog within the Histology service as well as to support the increased workload resulting from increased capacity in service areas under the Planned Care Recover Program. The urgent nature of the talking the backlog, combined with staffing vaccines requires a dynamic and safe outsourced solution with the company that has existing operational protocols in place to ensure the safety and quality of the wet sample exchange.

It is planned that within the contract duration, if the requirement to continue the outsourcing is maintained due to the impacts of the pandemic, then a tendering exercise will be undertaken.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £490,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL15 - Central Valleys

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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LD Path has previously undertaken to report histology samples for the Health Board for auditing purposes and has exhibited the required Royal College of Pathology standards as well as built the required operational interface required. The direct award of the contract is to ensure that the backlog is tackled efficiently and with maximum standards of quality and safety.

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II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

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At present, the risk to patients and the service and staffing by conducting an OJEU level tender is significant due to the time factors and uncertainty of an unknown partner.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

20 December 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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- UKI31 - Camden and City of London

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £490,000

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=116985.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

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