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Contract

## **School Leaders' Mental Health and Wellbeing Support Package**

Department for Education

F20: Modification notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02b492

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Department for Education

Sanctuary Buildings, 20, Great Smith Street

London

#### **Email**

[andrew.fox@education.gov.uk](mailto:andrew.fox@education.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://education.app.jaggaer.com/>

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

School Leaders' Mental Health and Wellbeing Support Package

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 80000000 - Education and training services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:**

The Authority is seeking to appoint a Contractor to deliver a new mental health and wellbeing support

package for school leaders, from autumn 2021.

A pilot was set up in June 2020 to provide professional supervision, through online peer to peer support and

one to one telephone supervision, to school leaders. Following the completion of the pilot, the Department

is now introducing a longer term and larger scale support programme, which builds on evidence from the

pilot and aims to offer tailored mental health and wellbeing support to school leaders, in support of the

Department's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The successful Contractor shall deliver a programme of professional supervision to a minimum of 2,000

school leaders who are experiencing mental health and wellbeing challenges. The service shall be delivered,

as a minimum, through facilitated virtual or telephone-based peer support and one-to-one counselling.

The programme must be made available to state primary and secondary school leaders (deputy headteachers

and above) in England and prioritised to those with no existing access to an Employee Assistance Programme (EAP) or equivalent.

The programme includes, but is not limited to the following main elements: a minimum of 2,000 school leaders to be supported via at least six sessions of either:

- an online peer support group programme, with the size of support group and length of session to be

determined by the successful Contractor. This should be delivered by experienced, qualified coaches who

have an accredited coaching qualification, and ideally, experience of group facilitation in school-based

settings.

Or,

- online/telephone one to one counselling, with the length of sessions determined by the successful

Contractor. This should be delivered by British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy (BACP) or UK

Council for Psychotherapy (UKCP) registered counsellors, or equivalent.

As set out in the tender documents, the Authority expects to award the Contract from September 2021, and

the relevant exit activities to have completed by March 2023.

The maximum estimated total contract value is anticipated to be up to £760,000 (excluding VAT). Annual

funding for the programme (subject to internal DfE approval) will not exceed £380,000.

Interested organisations are referred to the procurement documents for further information on the

description of the procurement, the Contract and the Authority's needs and requirements.

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession**

Start date

1 November 2021

End date

31 March 2023

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-028753](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

### **Contract No**

2021/S 000-028753

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:**

1 November 2021

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

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

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

Education Support Partnership

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)**

Total value of the procurement: £759,997

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court

London

Country

United Kingdom

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## **Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession**

### **VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications**

#### **VII.1.1) Main CPV code**

- 80000000 - Education and training services

#### **VII.1.3) Place of performance**

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:**

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II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

**VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession**

Start date

1 November 2021

End date

31 March 2024

**VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£759,997

**VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

Education Support Partnership

London

Country

United Kingdom



NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

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Yes

## **VII.2) Information about modifications**

### **VII.2.1) Description of the modifications**

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

Contract extended for 12 months.

### **VII.2.2) Reasons for modification**

Need for additional works, services or supplies by the original contractor/concessionaire.

Description of the economic or technical reasons and the inconvenience or duplication of cost preventing a change of contractor:

Application of optional contract extension provisions.

### **VII.2.3) Increase in price**

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £759,997

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £759,997