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Award

DHSC:PCP:Water Fluoridation Feasibility Studies Part 1 - UU

Department of Health & Social Care

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Scope

Reference

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Description

A feasibility study by water companies to determine operability and efficiency of fluoridating their water supplies which will be used to inform further rollout of water fluoridation in areas where oral health outcomes are worst, in line with the 10 Year Health Plan commitment.

Contract 1. DHSC:PCP:Water Fluoridation Feasibility Studies Part 1 - UU

Suppliers

Supplier not yet selected

Contract value

- £380,000 excluding VAT
- £456,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

26 January 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 26 January 2026 to 31 March 2026
- Possible extension to 31 March 2027
- 1 year, 2 months, 6 days

Description of possible extension:

Initial contract value is up to £107,000.00 (ex-vat) until 31/03/2026, however there is an option to extend the contract Term up to 31/03/2027 and increase the value by further £273,000.00 bringing the total estimated value to £380,000 (ex-vat).

Main procurement category

Services

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

Option to extend the contract up to and including 31/03/2027 pending internal approvals.

CPV classifications

- 79314000 - Feasibility study

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Single supplier - intellectual property or exclusive rights

Water companies hold regional cartels on on water supply and are the only providers who could authorise a feasibility study into their operations.

Contracting authority

Department of Health & Social Care

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