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Cochrane Library Database

Digital Health & Care Wales

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Scope

Reference

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Description

Digital Health and Care Wales (DHCW) intend to procure a contract for continued access to the Cochrane Library Database, a collection of high quality, independent evidence databases that support clinical decision making across NHS Wales and provide open access for all citizens in Wales.

The Cochrane Library Database is a unique evidence resource owned exclusively by Cochrane and is only available for purchase through its sole publisher and distributor, Wiley. It includes systematic reviews, clinical trials, clinical answers and other specialist evidence sources used extensively by clinicians, researchers, and citizens across Wales.

Due to the proprietary nature of the Cochrane Library, no alternative suppliers exist.

Loss of access would prevent NHS Wales staff and Welsh citizens from obtaining reliable, evidence based information, create operational strain on physical library services, and

reduce support for clinical decision making and research.

Contract 1. Cochrane Library Database

Supplier

- John Wiley & Sons Ltd

Contract value

- £62,303.24 excluding VAT
- £74,763.89 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

1 March 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 May 2026 to 30 April 2028
- Possible extension to 30 April 2029
- 3 years

Description of possible extension:

The agreement is for a period of two (2) year(s) to commence from 1st May 2026 concluding 30th April 2028, with the option to extend for a period of one (1) year.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

Contract locations

- UKL - Wales

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - without competition

Supplier

John Wiley & Sons Ltd

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDQG-8713-THWT

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1. Cochrane Library Database

Contracting authority

Digital Health & Care Wales

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Region: UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Wales