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Tender

South East and London Public Health Practitioner Development Programme (UKPHR)

NHS England

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Scope

Reference

C414877

Description

The Schools of Public Health in the South East region are based within the subregions of Kent Surrey Sussex (KSS); Thames Valley (TV); and Wessex (WX). The London School of Public Health supports the London region as one school. The remit for Schools of Public Health is to build capacity and capability of the public health workforce of the future and existing public health and wider health and care workforces in the region. It does this by delivering inclusive and innovative approaches to training and education, enabling the workforce to prevent ill health and address health inequalities.

A core programme for Schools of Public Health is the delivery of the UKPHR Public Health Practitioner Scheme. Following the retirement of current providers, South East and

London Schools are seeking to engage and work with a new provider who has experience of delivering competency-based professional development programmes who is interested in developing the public health workforce. This procurement is seeking a provider to deliver the Support Programme. The Support Programme will guide public health practitioners in the development of a retrospective portfolio to meet the requirements for UKPHR registration.

Above threshold open competition under the Light Touch Regime using the CPV code 80000000: Education and training services.

70% Technical - 10% Social Value - 20% Commercial.

The procurement will be over 4 lots.

- Lot 1 - Kent, Surry and Sussex - Maximum contract value (including optional extensions) £180,000.00
- Lot 2 - Wessex - Maximum contract value (including optional extensions) £180,000.00
- Lot 3 - Thames Valley - Maximum contract value (including optional extensions) £180,000.00
- Lot 4 – London - £180,000.00 (including optional extensions)

The intension is to award 1 supplier per lot. Tenderers may bid for one or more Lots. There is no limit on the number of Lots that can be awarded to a single supplier.

If a supplier is awarded more than one lot the authority may award a single contract combining lots.

The deadline for submission of completed ITQ submissions is 13th February 2026 at 12:00pm (midday).

Late submissions will not be accepted therefore, please submit in good time prior to the deadline date and time. All communications should be made via the messaging function on the e-Tendering portal during the tender exercise.

The Contracting Authority requests that all communications are channelled through the e-portal system and not with the Contracting Authority itself other than as expressly permitted within this ITQ.

Further information relating to this project can be found at NHSE e-tendering portal at the link below. All clarification questions and submission bids must be received via this portal only. Registration is free of charge.

<https://health-family-contract-search.secure.force.com/?SearchType=Projects>

Total value (estimated)

- £720,000 excluding VAT
- £864,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 August 2027
- Possible extension to 31 August 2029
- 3 years, 5 months

Description of possible extension:

2 periods of up to 12 months each.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80000000 - Education and training services

Lot constraints

Description of how multiple lots may be awarded:

Each lot is standalone and will be evaluated and awarded separately from the other lots. Providers may bid for 1 or more lots. The maximum number of lots a supplier can be awarded is 4

Lot 1. UKPHR - Kent, Surry and Sussex

Description

Public Health Practitioner Development Programme (UKPHR) - Kent, Surry and Sussex

Lot value (estimated)

- £180,000 excluding VAT
- £216,000 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 2. UKPHR - Wessex

Description

Public Health Practitioner Development Programme (UKPHR) - Wessex

Lot value (estimated)

- £180,000 excluding VAT
- £216,000 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 3. UKPHR - Thames Valley

Description

Public Health Practitioner Development Programme (UKPHR) - Thames Valley

Lot value (estimated)

- £180,000 excluding VAT
- £216,000 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Lot 4. UKPHR - London

Description

Public Health Practitioner Development Programme (UKPHR) - London

Lot value (estimated)

- £180,000 excluding VAT
- £216,000 including VAT

Same for all lots

CPV classifications and contract dates are shown in the Scope section, because they are the same for all lots.

Participation

Particular suitability

Lot 1. UKPHR - Kent, Surry and Sussex

Lot 2. UKPHR - Wessex

Lot 3. UKPHR - Thames Valley

Lot 4. UKPHR - London

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

30 January 2026, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

13 February 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

To express interest and participate in the tender, please register and apply via Atamis e-sourcing portal <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>.

Should Tenderers have any queries, or having problems using the portal, they should contact Helpdesk at:

Phone: 0800 9956035

E-mail: support-health@atamis.co.uk

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

23 March 2026

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type
Commercial	20%	Cost
Social Value	20%	Quality
Technical	60%	Quality

Weighting description

20% Commercial

20% Social Value

60% Technical

Other information

Description of risks to contract performance

The estimated value of contracts awarded following this procurement process are based upon modelled student numbers and historic data. Student numbers may fluctuate over the life of the contracts and therefore the individual contract values may increase or decrease over the contracted period.

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

NHS England

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDPT-3135-BWWY

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Website: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/>

Region: UKI45 - Lambeth

Organisation type: Public authority - central government