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Contract

## **Provision of research and transformation projects and associated services**

NHS England

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-043af0

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

NHS England

Skipton House, 80 London Road

London

SE1 6LH

#### **Contact**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKI31 - Camden and City of London

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**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**

Provision of research and transformation projects and associated services

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

- 72260000 - Software-related services

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

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

This contract includes the run and maintain of the OpenSafely Research Service, the transfer of the Service into NHSE and a range of activities to enhance and develop the service.

#### **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: £8,000,000

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

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 73110000 - Research services
- 72260000 - Software-related services
- 72316000 - Data analysis services
- 73110000 - Research services

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

NUTS codes

- UKI31 - Camden and City of London

Main site or place of performance

Wellington House, London

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

This contract includes the run and maintain of the OpenSafely Research Service, the transfer of the Service into NHSE and a range of activities to enhance and develop the service.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Ability to Deliver in the required timescales / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 0

#### **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

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## 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 services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Explanation:

In the short and medium term this Supplier is the only Supplier capable provider of this requirement due to the IPR position, rendering it impossible to exit or transition at this stage. The Contract being put in place as a result of this STA will rectify the IPR position and will give the Authority rights to use the IPR and therefore enable us to fully assess options for future delivery, including bringing some activities in house.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 November 2023

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Chancellor Masters and Scholars of the University of Oxford

University Offices Wellington Square Oxford

Oxford

OX1 2JD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI31 - Camden and City of London

Internet address

<https://www.ox.ac.uk/>

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £8,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £8,000,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

The High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.judiciary.uk/courts-and-tribunals/high-court/>