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Tender

Local Authority & Political Leadership Support

Department for Education

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-029c61

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - UNITED KINGDOM

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education>

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

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

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Local Authority & Political Leadership Support

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Over the past three years, the Department's Children's Social Care Improvement Programme has become well established and has included a leadership development programme, that targets political and corporate leaders of LAs, which has seen some success. The Department wishes to expand this type of support, with the primary objective of improving the leadership of LA children's services (including Special Educational Needs and Disability), by ensuring that local political and corporate leaders can fulfil their statutory role effectively and provide appropriate scrutiny and challenge, to drive forward the improvement of services for the most vulnerable children and their families.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £5,300,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

A Universal Offer

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Project Objectives:

1. Provide leadership development programmes for new and existing political leaders, with responsibility for children's services, to ensure they understand their statutory role and can provide effective scrutiny and challenge to senior officials to improve children's social care and SEND services.
2. Provide leadership development programmes for corporate leaders, with responsibility for children's services, to ensure a clear understanding of what 'Good' children's social care and SEND services look like, and how to get there.
3. Facilitate and develop regional networking for political and corporate leaders, with a focus on children's services, so that leaders have a support system to help them deliver their role effectively.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70%

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 30%

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

Start date

31 May 2021

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Optional 12 month extension

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

A Targeted Support Offer

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Project Objectives:

1. To provide targeted improvement support to select LAs, to be agreed with the Department, with a focus on the effectiveness of LA senior leaders, the effectiveness of

partnerships (with the Police and clinical commissioning groups as a minimum) and the strategic approach to improving children's social care and SEND services – this will include specifically working with the director of children's services (DCS), the local authority chief executive, the lead member and partner representatives, as a minimum.

2. To support LA leaders with challenges in their children's social care and SEND services, arising from the COVID-19 pandemic, and the development and delivery of recovery plans.

3. To provide diagnostic services to select LAs, to be agreed with the Department, with a focus on the effectiveness of corporate parenting arrangements and advisory support to deliver the resulting recommendations and improvements.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70%

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 30%

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

Start date

31 May 2021

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Optional 12 month extension

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

An Intensive Support Offer

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Project Objectives:

1. To provide one to one support to individual political and corporate leaders to improve their understanding of what 'Good' children's social care and SEND services look like, from legal compliance to excellence, and how to get there.
2. To facilitate and develop the understanding of local political groups, such as cabinet and children's scrutiny committees.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70%

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 30%

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

Start date

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This contract is subject to renewal

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Description of renewals

Optional 12 month extension

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

19 April 2021

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

19 April 2021

Local time

12:01pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of England and Wales

London

Country

United Kingdom