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# National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Clinical Research Network Co-ordinating Centre (CRNCC) - IT Services

The University Of Leeds

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## Section I: Contracting authority/entity

## I.1) Name and addresses

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**United Kingdom** 

Region code

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**Companies House** 

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Internet address(es)

Main address

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## 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

National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Clinical Research Network Co-ordinating Centre (CRNCC) - IT Services

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 75120000 - Administrative services of agencies

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

University of Leeds was awarded a contract by the Department of Health to host the NIHR CRNCC in 2015 which included a contract for IT Services via a third party. The Department of Health and Social Care recently re-let the NIHR CRNCC contract to University of Leeds.

As it was not possible to allow for an extension of the IT Services contract as part of the original Department of Health contract nor was it possible to run a new tender for IT Services prior to the award of the second Department of Health and Social Care tender, we are extending the original contract with PA Consulting Services Ltd.

The IT Services provided are heavily entwined into the service provided by NIHR CRNCC and will require careful consideration as to the best option for renewing these services. The extension period will provide the appropriate time to make these considerations, run a suitable procurement process and allow for a smooth transition to a new provider if relevant.

It is expected that this process will take between 12 and 24 months with an estimated annual cost of £2M.

#### 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: £4,000,000

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKE42 - Leeds

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

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#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

## Section IV. Procedure

## **IV.1) Description**

## IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

New works/services, constituting a repetition of existing works/services

#### Explanation:

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

## Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract/concession

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

23 February 2024

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

#### V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

PA Consulting Services Ltd

London

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

Companies House

00414220

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £4,000,000

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

University of Leeds

Leeds

Country

United Kingdom

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