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Tender

## **Agency Workers – Medical and Dental**

Procurement and Logistics Service  
Belfast Health and Social Care Trust  
Northern Health and Social Care Trust  
South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust  
Southern Health and Social Care Trust  
Western Health and Social Care Trust

F02: Contract notice

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

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

Procurement and Logistics Service

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**I.1) Name and addresses**

Northern Health and Social Care Trust

Bretten Hall, Bush Road

Antrim

BT41 2RL

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**I.1) Name and addresses**

South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust

Ulster Hospital, Upper Newtownards Rd

Belfast

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**I.1) Name and addresses**

Southern Health and Social Care Trust

Craigavon Area Hospital, 68 Lurgan Road

Portadown

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

Western Health and Social Care Trust

Altnagelvin Area Hospital, Glenshane Road

Londonderry

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

The contract involves joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

### **I.3) Communication**

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

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

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**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Agency Workers – Medical and Dental

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

- 79000000 - Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

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

Services

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

Supply of Agency Workers - Medical and Dental (Medical Locums) to Health and Social Care in Northern Ireland

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £345,000,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for maximum number of lots  
2

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot-1 - FY1, FY2, CT1, CT2, ST1, ST2, ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6, Specialty Doctor

Lot No

1

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

- 79600000 - Recruitment services
- 79620000 - Supply services of personnel including temporary staff
- 79625000 - Supply services of medical personnel

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom
- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

Supply of Agency Workers - Medical and Dental (Medical Locums) to Health and Social Care in Northern Ireland

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

Quality criterion - Name: Award Criteria Quality / Weighting: 60

Quality criterion - Name: Award Criteria – Social Value / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Award Criteria – Price / Weighting: 30

**II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £155,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Period or periods together totaling up to 24 months from the expiry of the initial term as described in Clause 2.2 of the SS71 Framework Agreement.

**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.2.14) Additional information**

The value provided in II.2.6 is the upper limit in the range between 135 000 000 GBP to 155 000 000 GBP and accounts for the potential spend on Lot 1 over the initial 2-year period. This value is provided for information purposes only and is not deemed to be a condition of contract or a guarantee of demand.

**II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot-2 - Consultant, Specialist, Associate Specialist

Lot No

2

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

- 79600000 - Recruitment services
- 79620000 - Supply services of personnel including temporary staff
- 79625000 - Supply services of medical personnel

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom
- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

Supply of Agency Workers - Medical and Dental (Medical Locums) to Health and Social Care in Northern Ireland

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

Quality criterion - Name: Award Criteria - Quality / Weighting: 60

Quality criterion - Name: Award Criteria - Social Value / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Award Criteria - Price / Weighting: 30

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £190,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Period or periods together totaling up to 24 months from the expiry of the initial term as described in Clause 2.2 of the SS71 Framework Agreement.

#### **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.2.14) Additional information**

The value provided in II.2.6 is the upper limit in the range between 165 000 000 GBP to 190 000 000 GBP and accounts for the potential spend on Lot 2 over the initial 2-year period. This value is provided for information purposes only and is not deemed to be a condition of contract or a guarantee of demand.

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### **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

#### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

##### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

##### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 200

#### **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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-025183](#)

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

Date

25 March 2025

Local time

3:00pm

#### **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**

Tender must be valid until: 21 September 2025

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

25 March 2025

Local time

3:30pm

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

### VI.3) Additional information

This procurement exercise is being conducted within the context of the Health Minister's statement from October 2022, link: <https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/sites/default/files/publications/health/doh-131022-wms.pdf>. In section 1.2, it is stated that this procurement is a joint procedure and contract award is by a Central Purchasing Body. This contract is not a joint contract, it is a Central Purchasing Body Contract operated by BSO PaLS on behalf of the participants listed in section 1.1.. The value in II.1.5 is the upper limit in the range £300,000,000 - £345,000,000 and accounts for the potential spend across both Lots over the initial 2-year period to the Framework. Should the option for an additional 24 months extension be used, as per clause 2.2 in the SS71 Framework Agreement, the range will be a potential spend of £600,000,000 - £690,000,000. None of the figures above represent a guarantee of uptake or minimum demand.

### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

Business Services Organisation, Procurement and Logistics Service

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