

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/006409-2025>

Contract

Framework Agreement for the Provision of Various Pharmacy Courses at Higher Education Institutions

Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW)

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-006409

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-047b68

Published 20 February 2025, 4:43pm

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW)

Ty Dysgu Cefn Coed, Nantgarw,

Cardiff

CF15 7QQ

Contact

Lynsey Reynolds

Email

lynsey.reynolds3@wales.nhs.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://nwssp.nhs.wales/ourservices/procurement-services/>

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221

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

Framework Agreement for the Provision of Various Pharmacy Courses at Higher Education Institutions

Reference number

HEIW-OJEU-111423

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW) sits alongside Health Boards and Trusts and have a leading role in the education, training, development, and shaping of the healthcare workforce, supporting high-quality care for the people of Wales.

The HEIW Pharmacy team have a key role in the educational development of staff across Wales. They are therefore required to commission various courses for staff members, at various HEI's across the UK, to meet their remit of upskilling the pharmacy workforce.

HEIW has established a non-committal framework agreement to facilitate access to relevant educational courses across the UK.

Framework Agreement Details:

Duration: Four years, with an option to extend for an additional four years.

Purpose: To provide a structured and compliant mechanism for procuring pharmacy education and training courses from various HEIs across the UK.

Scope: The framework agreement will enable HEIW to engage with a range of educational providers, ensuring access to high-quality pharmacy training that meets the evolving needs of the workforce.

Benefits: This agreement supports HEIW's commitment to workforce development by expanding learning opportunities, enhancing skills, and ensuring that pharmacy professionals across Wales receive comprehensive training aligned with best practices and industry standards.

The establishment of this framework agreement aligns with HEIW's strategic objectives and reinforces its role in shaping the future of the pharmacy workforce in Wales. This award notice confirms the successful implementation of this procurement initiative, ensuring that HEIW has access to a diverse and competent cadre of education providers.

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: £1,888,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW) sits alongside Health Boards and Trusts and have a leading role in the education, training, development, and shaping of the healthcare workforce, supporting high-quality care for the people of Wales.

The HEIW Pharmacy team have a key role in the educational development of staff across Wales. They are therefore required to commission various courses for staff members, at various HEI's across the UK, to meet their remit of upskilling the pharmacy workforce.

HEIW has established a non-committal framework agreement to facilitate access to relevant educational courses across the UK.

Framework Agreement Details:

Duration: Four years, with an option to extend for an additional four years.

Purpose: To provide a structured and compliant mechanism for procuring pharmacy education and training courses from various HEIs across the UK.

Scope: The framework agreement will enable HEIW to engage with a range of educational providers, ensuring access to high-quality pharmacy training that meets the evolving needs of the workforce.

Benefits: This agreement supports HEIW's commitment to workforce development by expanding learning opportunities, enhancing skills, and ensuring that pharmacy professionals across Wales receive comprehensive training aligned with best practices and industry standards.

The establishment of this framework agreement aligns with HEIW's strategic objectives and reinforces its role in shaping the future of the pharmacy workforce in Wales. This award notice confirms the successful implementation of this procurement initiative, ensuring that HEIW has access to a diverse and competent cadre of education providers.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: TECHNICAL / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 60

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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: [2024/S 000-020715](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

HEIW-OJEU-111423

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 January 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 10

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: 10

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Aston University

Aston University, THE ASTON TRIANGLE

BIRMINGHAM

B47ET

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL - Wales

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Bangor University

School of Health and Medical Sciences, Ffriddoedd Road

Bangor

LL572EF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL - Wales

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

CARDIFF UNIVERSITY

CARDIFF UNIVERSITY, 30 36 NEWPORT ROAD

CARDIFF

CF240DE

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL - Wales

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Keele University

Keele

Newcastle

ST55BG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL - Wales

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Queen's University Belfast

University Road

Belfast

BT71NN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL - Wales

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The University of Manchester

Oxford Road

Manchester

M139PL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

University of Bath

The Avenue, Claverton Down

Bath

BA27AY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The University of The West of England

Coldharbour Lane

Bristol

BS161QY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL - Wales

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Wrexham University

Plas Coch, Mold Road

Wrexham

LL112AW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL - Wales

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,888,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(WA Ref:148360)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Telephone

+44 2079477501

Country

United Kingdom