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Contract

Full-text fulfilment tool for the NHS in England - Health Education England

Health Education England

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-006413

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02a07e

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Health Education England

Blenheim House,Duncombe Street

LEEDS

LS14PL

Contact

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.hee.nhs.uk

Buyer's address

www.hee.nhs.uk

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

Full-text fulfilment tool for the NHS in England - Health Education England

Reference number

DN528159

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 England (HEE - the Commissioner) put out a notice as a PIN (Prior Information Notice) with a view to completing a Direct Award.

The contracting authority made clear its intention to direct award the contract to Third Iron. The case for direct award was made available on the tender portal.

The financial envelope for the contract is £308,000.

The PIN link is: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/003386-2021>

This is the associated Award notice.

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: £308,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)

Main site or place of performance

England

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

1. Well established experience of working in partnership with EBSCO to enable seamless integration with the EBSCO Discovery Service, which is being deployed across the NHS in England.
2. Ability to deploy at scale: across the NHS in England there are approximately 400 OpenAthens organisational identities, 280 discovery service instances and 185 library services.
3. Extensive experience of working with NHS organisations to provide full-text fulfilment services for the healthcare workforce.
4. Experience of providing technical support, advice and documentation to NHS library and IT professionals.
5. Evidence of proactive product development based on library and user feedback and trends in the digital publishing and discovery landscape, and willingness to work in partnership on projects to provide bespoke enhancements for NHS users.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

A PIN notice was placed via ProContract as a Call for Competition, the notice was live for 30 days.

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Publication date: 19 February 2021

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Call for competition

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

DN528159

Title

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A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

29 March 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Third Iron

St. Paul, MN

55127

Country

United States

NUTS code

- US - United States

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: £308,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £308,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Health Education England

Leeds

LS1 4PL

Country

United Kingdom