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Planning

NICE Framework for Healthcare Knowledge Resources

National Institute For Health And Care Excellence

F01: Prior information notice

Reducing time limits for receipt of tenders

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

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I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.gov.uk/contracts-finder>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://atamis-1928.my.site.com/ProSpend__eSourcing_Community_Registration?locale=uk

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

NICE Framework for Healthcare Knowledge Resources

Reference number

NICEFHKR2025

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 92511000 - Library services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The purpose of this procurement is to put in place a Framework Agreement to support the purchase of healthcare related print and electronic knowledge resources by NHS, health and social care organisations in the UK. Clinicians and staff within these organisations need these knowledge resources to support their practice, research and education. Such knowledge resources will include (but may not be limited to) print and electronic journals and books, databases of bibliographic and full text published content and clinical decision support resources.

This procurement will replace the current NICE Electronic and Print Content Framework Agreement when it expires on 31 May 2-25. More details about the current Framework specification and agreement can be found at: <https://www.nice.org.uk/about/nice-communities/library-and-knowledge-services-staff/buy-books-journals-and-databases>

Suppliers of healthcare related knowledge resources, including publishers, subscription agents, aggregators and booksellers, are encouraged to attend a Supplier Event 19th June 2024, 10:30am - 1pm in London. Feedback on the current Framework specification and purchasing processes will be discussed with potential Bidders at this session in order to inform the procurement, alongside details of the procurement process for this tender.

If you would like to attend this session please register your interest with irene.walker@nice.org.uk by 10:00 (UK) 17.05.2024.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £40,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for maximum number of lots
5

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 5

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

LOT 1 Sole Supplier

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 92511000 - Library services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot will be used to purchase Knowledge Resources that can only be provided by one (i.e. a "sole") Provider; purchasing from this Lot will be by direct award only; any Knowledge Resource from the categories set out in the procurement documents may be supplied in Lot 1 provided that the Bidder is the sole supplier of the title(s). However, only journal and eBook collections and not individual titles may be supplied under Lot 1.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £10,000,000

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

Duration in months

36

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

LOT 2 Print Books

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 22100000 - Printed books, brochures and leaflets
- 92511000 - Library services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Medical and healthcare related print books

Note these are for pre-printed and published books

This is not for a printing service.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £3,000,000

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

Duration in months

36

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

LOT 3 eBooks

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 92510000 - Library and archive services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Medical and healthcare related eBooks

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

36

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

LOT 4 Print and eJournals

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 22200000 - Newspapers, journals, periodicals and magazines
- 92510000 - Library and archive services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Medical and Healthcare related Print and eJournals

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £5,000,000

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

Duration in months

36

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

LOT 5 Databases and Clinical Decision Support Resources

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 92510000 - Library and archive services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Databases: searchable online collections of structured information to support healthcare practice, learning, teaching and research to include: abstracting & indexing/bibliographic databases; full-text databases; reference works; anatomy resources.

Clinical Decision Support resources: referential or visual evidence and knowledge summaries designed to provide health professionals with comprehensive evidence and "actionable knowledge" to: support decision-making at the point of care e.g. at the bedside, in the ward, in the clinic, and in community settings, including the patient's or carer's home; and to support education and learning before, during and after the patient consultation.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £20,000,000

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

Duration in months

36

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

15 August 2024

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE)

Manchester

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