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Award

NP506517 National Primary Care Clinician Database (NPCCD)

The Common Services Agency (more commonly known as NHS National Services Scotland) (NSS)

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

The Common Services Agency (more commonly known as NHS National Services Scotland) (NSS)

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United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

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Main address

<http://www.nss.nhs.scot/browse/procurement-and-logistics>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA11883

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

NP506517 National Primary Care Clinician Database (NPCCD)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Extension of National Primary Care Clinician Database (NPCCD) for a period of 12 months using Regulation 72 (1)(b).

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: £372,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Extension of NPCCD (National Primary Care Clinician Database) contract for a period of 12 months using Regulation 72(1)(b).

NPCCD (National Primary Care Clinician Database) is managed by Practitioner Services Division, National Services Scotland on behalf of NHS Scotland Health Boards.

The system is an essential management of contractor data in compliance with Scottish Government regulations outlined in The National Health Service (Primary Medical Services Performers Lists) (Scotland) Regulations 2004. This is a critical part of daily operations for the Health Boards ensuring that all contractors are validated and meet the necessary standards and qualifications to provide primary care services.

The initial contract was awarded under an NSS Software Development framework. The contract awarded as a result of a Mini competition included an Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) clause that indicated that anything developed as a result of the work would remain in the ownership of NSS. This extension is to allow the Development plans to be concluded under this contract.

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

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:

To provide for additional works, supplies or services by the original contractor that have become necessary and were not included in the initial procurement, where a change of contractor

(i) cannot be made for economic or technical reasons such as requirements of interchangeability or interoperability with existing equipment, services or installations procured under the initial procurement; and

(ii) would cause significant inconvenience or substantial duplication of costs for the contracting authority, provided that any increase in price does not exceed 50% of the initial contract value;

Extension of current contract to allow for continuity of service.

This extension is to allow a future procurement to be conducted prior to the contract end date.

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

4 March 2025

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

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Clarence House, , 133 George street

Edinburgh

EH2 4JS

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £372,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Economic operators should approach the contracting authority in the first instance. However, the only formal remedy is to apply to the courts: An economic operator that suffers, or is at risk of suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under the Public

Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 or the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014, may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session.