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Tender

HEIW Provision of Ultrasound Education and Training Services

Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW)

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-040e76

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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.3) Communication

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

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.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

HEIW Provision of Ultrasound Education and Training Services

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) are undertaking a review of Health Professional Education and Training Services delivered to NHS Wales. HEIW are seeking to procure Ultrasound Education and Training.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,511,664

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 80320000 - Medical education services
- 80300000 - Higher education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

HEIW is seeking to commission a part-time Blended learning for;

Level 7 Postgraduate Diploma (120 credits) over 2 years, which is accredited by Consortium for the Accreditation of Sonographic Education, (CASE), and

Postgraduate Certificate (PgCert) Ultrasound, 1 year, part time (60 credits) to increase and enhance provision of sonography education in Wales to support the rising service demand.

The procurement will aim to address the increased demand for ultrasound education in Wales, with a national shortage of NHS sonographers.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

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

Start date

2 January 2025

End date

31 December 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This contract will be subject to renewal at the discretion of the Contracting Authority. The Contracting Authority may exercise its option to

extend for a further two years in two twelve month intervals.

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

Contract Commencement(Effective Date):2nd January 2025.

Implementation period: 2nd January 2025 - the day immediately before Services Commencement Date

Services Commencement Period: 2nd January 2025 - 30th November 2025 and will continue until the expiry of the contract unless extended under the provisions of the Contract being, option to extend for 2 years in two 12-month intervals

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

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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: [2023/S 000-031294](#)

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

Date

25 April 2024

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English, Welsh

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

25 April 2024

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

The Services to which this Notice relates fall within Regulations 74 to 76 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (Regulations).

Although HEIW may voluntarily adopt certain provisions in the Regulations neither the employment of any terminology nor any other indication shall be taken to mean that the contracting authority intends to hold itself bound by any of the Regulations save those applicable to services falling within Regulations 74 to 76. Bidders to note that they will be required to enter into terms and conditions of contract as set out in the tender documents and that save for matters of clarification or consistency, HEIW will not negotiate the terms. As this is a procurement that falls under the Light Touch Regime, HEIW is proposing to use a procurement procedure which is akin to the open procedure. All tender costs and any liabilities incurred by bidders shall be the sole responsibility of the bidders. HEIW reserves the right to award the Contract in whole or in part. HEIW reserves the right to pause, halt, abandon and/or annul the tendering process and not to award any or all the Contracts. The Contracts to which this procurement relates are funded via Welsh Government funding, refer to the contract terms and conditions and the ITT for rights reserved to the contracting authority should the said funding cease or reduce. Bidders are to

note:

- (a) The number of student places to be commissioned annually will be conditional upon Welsh Government confirmation of funding; and
- (b) HEIW reserves the right to vary the range of student commissioning numbers by way of an increase or decrease; and

(c) The proposed contracts are due to take effect on or around 02/01/2025 and provide for an implementation period. Delivery of the services; The Service Commencement Period is from 2nd January 2025 – 30th November 2025. No contract payments are payable in respect of the implementation period. Bidders to note that each bid will be evaluated separately using the pre-disclosed evaluation criteria set out in the ITT. To complete your formal proposal, please access the ITT via the Bravo eTender Wales portal where you will find a full suite of tender documentation.

1. Register your company:

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk> and click the link to register.

2. Express and Interest in the tender:

- Click 'ITT Open to all suppliers'
- Click ITT_108636 and express interest
- This will move the ITT into your 'my ITTs page'
- You can access any attachments by clicking 'buyer attachments' in the 'ITT details' box

3. Responding to the tender

- Click 'my response' under 'ITT details'. You can choose to 'create response' or 'decline to respond'
- You can now use the messages function to communicate with HEIW

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Sell2Wales Web Site at

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=138566.

Under the terms of this contract the successful supplier(s) will be required to deliver Community Benefits in support of the authority's economic and social objectives. Accordingly, contract performance conditions may relate in particular to social and environmental considerations. The Community Benefits included in this contract are:

as stated within the procurement documents.

(WA Ref:138566)

The buyer considers that this contract is suitable for consortia.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

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