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The Department of Health and Social Care: ASC: Interoperability Architecture

The Department of Health and Social Care

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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United Kingdom

Region code

UKI - London

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

The Department of Health and Social Care: ASC: Interoperability Architecture

Reference number

C254343

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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secondary use (including commissioner and CQC reporting) to other IT systems

- Authentication and authorisation to access the data and documents
- Security of the solution including cyber and information governance technical controls
- Supporting services including service desk / support desk

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The Department of Health and Social Care would like to engage with suppliers to understand the supplier market view of what will be required in any new contract including interoperability standards to enable information to be shared. This will include the emerging standards from NHS England Chief Technology Officer to enable information to be shared between Electronic Patient Records (EPRs), Digital Social Care Records and Shared Care Records in England, (and where necessary using national NHS England interoperability services).

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Anticipated contract term will be subject to funding - but is not expected to be less than 5+2+2 years.

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: [2024/S 000-007976](#)

Section VII. Changes

VII.1.2) Text to be corrected in the original notice

Section number

II.1.4

Place of text to be modified

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Read

Text

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