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Planning

Supervision of Forensic Psychologists in Training

Ministry of Justice

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Scope

Reference

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Description

HM Prisons and Probation Service, as part of the justice system, plays a crucial role in society. HMPPS protects the public, maintains safe and secure prisons and reduces the risk that people will reoffend. We work together to help people to live law abiding and positive lives.

HMPPS delivers the government's vision and investment to make prisons places of safety and reform and to ensure probation services support the rehabilitation of offenders while protecting the public. We provide safe and supportive environments, where people work through the reasons that caused them to offend and prepare for a more positive future.

The Psychology Services Group (PSG) provides evidence-based, psychological, and therapeutic services to support people in custody and on probation aimed at reducing their risk of harm and reoffending. It is one of the largest training organisations for

Forensic Psychologists.

Staff provide a HMPPS-wide specialist service and defensible evidence to support decision-making and influence operational policy at a National, Regional, and local level.

Psychological services are largely broken down into assessment, intervention, training, research/projects, and consultancy advice and support.

This specific requirement is for the services of suitably qualified and experienced Registered Forensic Psychologists (with at least 2 years post qualification experience) to provide Supervision to Forensic Psychologists in Training. Services will be required on both a regular and ad-hoc basis to support work usually undertaken by HMPPS staff.

There are two aspects to supervision in the context of Forensic Psychologists in Training;

- Co-ordinating Supervisor / Clinical Supervisor (CS) - Guidance and Development of individual trainees throughout their qualification.
- Additional Supervisor/ Designated Supervisor - Supervision of Individual pieces of work or projects as required.

HMPPS require the ability to procure services to support the internal capacity to deliver. These will vary over time in volume and frequency and the Authority intends to establish a Framework for delivery of this service. There are no guaranteed volumes for the services required. Initial indicative volumes are between 16-28 trainees over a proposed 3 year Framework term.

Supervision of Forensic Psychologists in Training can be conducted remotely for the majority of the cases. There may be occasions where in-person supervision may be required.

All Supervision Services commissioned by HMPPS PSG must meet the required Quality Standards and registration requirements set by the process relevant to the type of Supervision or Qualification route (e.g. Qualification guidance, internal guidance documents). A key part of the service involves supervising psychological risk assessments to assist Parole Board decision making, so competency in this area will be required.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Total value (estimated)

- £2,626,400 excluding VAT
- £3,151,680 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 August 2025 to 31 July 2028
- 3 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80510000 - Specialist training services

Participation**Particular suitability**

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

28 April 2025

Tender submission deadline

30 May 2025, 11:59pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://ministryofjusticecommercial.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

18 July 2025

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Ministry of Justice

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government