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Contract

FIT@80 Evaluation

NHS England

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04b023

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS England

7-8 Wellington Place

Leeds

LS1 4AP

Contact

Russell Greenwood

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.england.nhs.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

FIT@80 Evaluation

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73210000 - Research consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

To support achievement of NHS Long Term Plan ambitions, it has been agreed by NHS England that the NHS Bowel Cancer Screening Programme referral threshold will reduce from 120 ug/gm to 80ug/gm, in line with the Scottish screening programme. Evidence suggests that this will be a cost-effective way to detect more cancers earlier, reduce mortality and increase quality of life.

Achieving this extension will be challenging alongside year-on-year increases in endoscopy demand from symptomatic services, BSCP age extension, and the enrolment of people with Lynch syndrome into the programme. Therefore, to understand how this change in screening protocol can be delivered sustainably it has been agreed that the threshold will initially be dropped in select pilot sites alongside a comprehensive evaluation.

Therefore NHSE seeks a partner to deliver the evaluation.

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: £500,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Quality criterion - Name: Social value / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

12 month extension

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

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: [2024/S 000-034151](#)

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 March 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 12

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 7

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 12

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

RAND Europe Community Interest Company

Eastbrook, Shaftesbury Road, Cambridge

Cambridge

CB2 8BF

Telephone

+44 1223353329

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

National registration number

02728021

Internet address

<https://www.rand.org/randeurope.html>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £500,000

Lowest offer: £500,000 / Highest offer: £500,000 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.judiciary.uk/courts-and-tribunals/high-court/>