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Tender

Tender for HEIW Wales Asylum seekers and Refugee Doctors (WARD)

Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW)

F02: Contract notice

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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

Tender for HEIW Wales Asylum seekers and Refugee Doctors (WARD)

Reference number

HEIW-ITT-110026

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) sits alongside Health Boards and Trusts and have a leading role in the education, training, development, and shaping of the healthcare workforce, supporting high-quality care for the people of Wales.

HEIW have a requirement to provide proactive support to asylum seeker and refugee doctors and dentists to further extend their English language and general communication skills and go on to pass relevant English examinations that are required for professional registration with the GMC or GDC. Furthermore, WARD supports these doctors and dentists to successfully achieve professional registration.

As these professionals are often reliant on social services funding or on very low wages, we also provide travel and subsistence costs. The program also facilitates supernumerary funding for some doctors to enable them to enter the NHS Wales workforce.

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

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW) invites tenders for the HEIW Wales Asylum seekers and Refugee Doctors (WARD). The selected contractor will play a vital role in extending their English language and communication skills, assisting them in passing required English examinations for professional registration with the GMC or GDC.

This program, facilitated by the Welsh Asylum Seeking and Refugee Doctors Group (WARD), aims to provide essential support to healthcare professionals facing challenges in accessing employment and continuing their medical careers. The contractor will offer tuition, courses, and exam support for the IELTS, OET, and PLAB exams, covering exam costs and providing necessary resources for registration.

Additionally, the contractor will aid in facilitating supernumerary funding for doctors to enter the NHS Wales workforce, further contributing to the integration and inclusion of refugee and asylum seeker professionals in society. The scope of the project may extend to other healthcare professionals in the future, subject to budgetary considerations.

Tenderers should demonstrate expertise in language education, exam preparation, and supporting diverse healthcare professionals. The successful bidder will join HEIW and WARD in their commitment to promoting diversity, inclusion, and high-quality healthcare provision in Wales.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: TECHNICAL / Weighting: 40

Price - Weighting: 60

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

Start date

1 July 2024

End date

31 March 2026

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Contract Period: 1.7.24 – 31.3.26 with the option to extend by 12 months.

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

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.2.2) Contract performance conditions

As stated within the procurement documents

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

Date

24 May 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

24 May 2024

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

Bidders to note that they will be required to enter into terms and conditions of the contract as set out in the tender documents and that save for matters of clarification or consistency, HEIW will not negotiate the terms.

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.

NOTE: The authority is using eTenderwales to carry out this procurement process. To obtain further information record your interest on Sell2Wales at

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search_switch.aspx?ID=140808

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

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