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# Independent Support Service for Complainants, Witnesses and their Families

General Medical Council (GMC)

F02: Contract notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

General Medical Council (GMC)

3 Hardman Street

Manchester

**M33AW** 

#### Contact

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#### **Email**

gmctenders@gmc-uk.org

#### **Telephone**

+44 1619236340

#### **Country**

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

**UK - United Kingdom** 

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.gmc-uk.org

Buyer's address

https://www.mytenders.co.uk/search/Search AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA19541

## 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

www.mytenders.co.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.mytenders.co.uk

## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

## I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Medical Regulator

## **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Independent Support Service for Complainants, Witnesses and their Families

Reference number

GMC1583

## II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85312300 - Guidance and counselling services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

We need an independent and confidential Independent Support Service (ISS) to provide emotional support by telephone to complainants, witnesses and their families who require support during (and after) an investigation. The aim of this service is to improve levels witness/complainant engagement, confidence and satisfaction. The independence and confidentiality of the service from the GMC is key.

## II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## II.2) Description

## II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 85312300 - Guidance and counselling services

## II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

UK - United Kingdom

#### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

We need an independent and confidential Independent Support Service (ISS) to provide emotional support by telephone to complainants, witnesses and their families who require support during (and after) an investigation. The aim of this service is to improve levels witness/complainant engagement, confidence and satisfaction. The independence and confidentiality of the service from the GMC is key.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

**Duration in months** 

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Three additional periods of 1 year each.

#### 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 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 June 2022

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

## IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

## IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

24 June 2022

Local time

12:00pm

## **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

## VI.3) Additional information

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https://www.mytenders.co.uk/Search/Search\_Switch.aspx?ID=226379.

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Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

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## VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

**Public Procurement Review Service** 

**Cabinet Office** 

London

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<u>publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk</u>

Telephone

+44 3450103503

Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### Internet address

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