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## **Procurement for the Provision of Practitioner Training Programme (PTP) Healthcare Science Part Time Education and Training**

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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## **Country**

United Kingdom

## **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://nwssp.nhs.wales/ourservices/procurement-services/>

Buyer's address

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221](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/web/login.shtml>

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/web/login.shtml>

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Procurement for the Provision of Practitioner Training Programme (PTP) Healthcare Science Part Time Education and Training

Reference number

PRO-OJEULT-53067

#### **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) are undertaking a review of Health Professional Education and Training Services delivered to NHS Wales. HEIW are seeking to commission part time Practitioner Training Programme (PTP) Healthcare Science education for Clinical Engineering, Pathology (Life Sciences) and Audiology.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £9,900,761

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

### **II.2) Description**

**II.2.1) Title**

Clinical Engineering

Lot No

2

**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) is a key stakeholder in healthcare science transformation in Wales. Traditionally, individuals achieve Practitioner Training Programme (PTP) status through undertaking a BSc (Hons) in Healthcare Science full time over 3 years, including academic study and work-based learning. HEIW is committed to commissioning part time education to enable people already employed in the NHS, to access a BSc programme alongside existing employment to achieve Practitioner Training Programme (PTP) status. This education is a type of apprenticeship model that will enable people to train whilst remaining in the workforce.

The education that will be commissioned is 120 credits at level 5 and 120 credits at level 6 to enable award of BSc (Hons) over 3 years.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

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

Start date

1 December 2023

End date

31 July 2029

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This contract will be subject to renewal at the discretion of the Contracting Authority. The Contracting Authority may exercise its option to extend for a further three years in three twelve month intervals.

### **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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Audiology

Lot No

1

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

- 80300000 - Higher education services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

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- UKL - Wales

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The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Pathology

Lot No

3

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

- 80300000 - Higher education services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

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Pathology (Life sciences) education must also be available as stand alone modules to enable them to be accessed by Students with an existing relevant degree eg BSc (Hons) Biomedical Sciences to achieve PTP through degree assessment. The IBMS assess existing degree content and determine which additional modules from the full 240 credits a Student needs to complete.

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

as stated within the procurement documents.

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## **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: [2022/S 092-000005](#)

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

Date

19 June 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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

English, Welsh

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

19 June 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: This services may be retendered prior to the expiry of the contract.

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The Services to which this Notice relates fall within Regulations 74 to 76 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (Regulations). Although HEIW may voluntarily adopt certain provisions in the Regulations neither the employment of any terminology nor any other indication shall be taken to mean that the contracting authority intends to hold itself bound by any of the Regulations save those applicable to services falling within Regulations 74 to 76. Bidders to note that they will be required to enter into terms and conditions of contract as set out in the tender documents and that save for matters of clarification or consistency, HEIW will not negotiate the terms. As this is a procurement that falls under the Light Touch Regime, HEIW is proposing to use a procurement procedure which is akin to the open procedure. 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. The Contracts to which this procurement relates are funded via Welsh Government funding, refer to the contract terms and conditions and the ITT for rights reserved to the contracting authority should the said funding cease or reduce. Bidders are to

note:

(a) The number of student places to be commissioned annually will be conditional upon Welsh Government confirmation of funding; and

(b) HEIW reserves the right to vary the range of student commissioning numbers by way of an increase or decrease; and

(c) The proposed contracts are due to take effect on or around 01/12/2023 and provide for an implementation period. Delivery of the

services are to commence upon the anticipated Services Commencement Date (that is on or around 01/08/2024). No contract payments are

payable in respect of the implementation period. Bidders are free to submit bids in respect of any number of Lots. Bidders to note that each Lot will be evaluated separately using the pre-disclosed evaluation criteria set out in the ITT. To complete your formal proposal, please access the ITT via the Bravo eTender Wales portal where you will find a full suite of tender documentation.

1. Register your company:

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk> and click the link to register.

2. Express and Interest in the tender:

- Click 'ITT Open to all suppliers'
- Click ITT\_102514 and express interest
- This will move the ITT into your 'my ITTs page'
- You can access any attachments by clicking 'buyer attachments' in the 'ITT details' box

3. Responding to the tender

- Click 'my response' under 'ITT details'. You can choose to 'create response' or 'decline to respond'
- You can now use the messages function to communicate with HEIW

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=123268](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search_switch.aspx?ID=123268) Under the terms of this contract the successful supplier(s) will be required to deliver Community Benefits in support of the authority's economic and social objectives. Accordingly, contract performance conditions may relate in particular to social and environmental considerations. The Community Benefits included in this contract are: detailed in the tender documentation.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Sell2Wales Web Site at [https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=130908](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=130908).

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The buyer considers that this contract is suitable for consortia.

## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

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United Kingdom