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Contract

National Clinical Audit of Stroke

HEALTHCARE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PARTNERSHIP

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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procurement@hqip.org.uk

Telephone

+44 7904597971

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI32 - Westminster

Companies House

06498947

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.hqip.org.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

National Clinical Audit of Stroke

Reference number

HQIP NCA 2147

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP) is seeking to commission an organisation that will support the delivery of the Sentinel Stroke National Audit Programme.

The programme will initially be delivered for NHS-funded care in England and Wales but in

future may include, Scotland, Northern Ireland, Jersey, Guernsey and Isle of Man. The total

contract value is £2,280,000 excluding VAT for the duration of three years with potential to

extend the contract for up to two additional years at a value of £760,000 per year. The

aspirational intent as defined in the specification of this ITT has an anticipated value of up to

£3,200,000. Based on the potential extension funding of up to 2 years and the aspiration

intent, this contract has a potential ceiling value of up to £7,000,000 It is anticipated that

the new service will commence in April 2023. This procurement is for clinical services

which

are part of the 'Public Contract Regulations (PCR2015)' for the purpose of the Regulations.

The commissioner is not voluntary following any other part of the Regulations. The process

will be similar to Open Procedure under the Regulations applies and so reserves the right to

depart from that procedure at any point. The procedure that the Commissioner is following is

set out in the Invitation to Tender. To access the ITT documents: For a bidder who has

already registered themselves on WAX as a supplier: Open WAX homepage (Link:

<https://s2c.waxdigital.co.uk/HQIP/SignIn.aspx>) - Click on "Open opportunities"- Find the

right opportunity and click on "View Details" - Click on "Log in" For a bidder who has NOT

registered themselves on WAX as a supplier: Open WAX homepage (Link:

<https://s2c.waxdigital.co.uk/HQIP/SignIn.aspx>) - Click on "Register Here" - Complete the

supplier registration form and Click on "Register" - Activate your account - Open WAX

homepage (Link: <https://s2c.waxdigital.co.uk/HQIP/SignIn.aspx>)

- Click on "Open opportunities"- Find the right opportunity and click on "View Details" - Click

on "Log in" Bidders must respond to all questions. The deadline for the submission of the

tender is 12 noon on 23rd August 2022. Please note that any communication from HQIP

regarding this tender will be via the Source2Contract messaging board. Bidders must use

the Source2Contract messaging board for their communications with HQIP regarding

procurement.

Bidders should note that HQIP does not accept requests to amend the published Terms

and

Conditions of Contract after bid submission or prior to contract signature.

Bidders must sign the Form of Tender to indicate acceptance of these Terms and Conditions

of Contract. Failure to sign the Form of Tender will make your bid submission non compliant and subject to disqualification.

In rare cases where a bidder wishes to raise a potential legal implication to agreeing to the

terms and conditions, this must be raised during the published bidder clarification time

window via the messaging module within the e-tendering portal so that it can be addressed

via the standard process for all bidder clarifications.

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: £2,280,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Improvement aims and objectives of the project

The SSNAP data driven healthcare quality improvement (QI) 3 year aims are to:

- Contribute to the improvement of the thrombolysis rate to 14.5% (with a NHS LTP target of

20% by 2029) for all patients who could benefit from it

- Contribute to the improvement of the mechanical thrombectomy rate to 8%-10% by 2029,

including data and reporting to enable measurement for quality improvement through the communities of practice

- Ensure stroke patients spend 90% of their admission on a specialised stroke unit

Ensure ongoing dynamic development of Integrated Stroke Delivery Networks (ISDNs) data dashboards to support ISDNs and Integrated Care/Health Boards and regional directorates.

- Evolve the post-acute care data set to enable community care and life after stroke

services

to measure for quality improvement including 6-month review, patient experience and outcome data

- Ensure workforce and organisational data in acute and post-acute care pathways is available to benchmark and inform processes for improved outcomes in stroke care
- Where possible, extend the audit to assess the quality of care delivered to patients who have had a stroke but are treated in non-stroke specific settings such as A&E or outpatient

settings

- Understand the processes of care given to patients that have been managed by stroke teams but are missing from national stroke data sets including patients who have had TIAs

(transient ischemic attacks), minor strokes and/or stroke mimics.

Whilst the contract value is listed as £2,280,000 for a duration of 3 years, Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership reserve the right to invoke aspirational intent.

The scope of this aspirational intent and value ranges are listed below and also under section

1.3.1 of the specification. The specification also outlines the mechanisms for invoking aspirational intent.

It is important to note that HQIP are under no obligation to invoke any aspirational intent, or

opt to invoke only certain elements of it.

1) Up to 24-month extension that mirrors the NCAPOP headline contract at £760,000 per year

2) As part of the National Clinical Audit and Patient Outcomes Programme, this project is required to remain responsive to future changes in clinical standards, service delivery and national clinical policy priorities.

See Specification Section 2.10 and Section 9 where the future aspirational intention of this opportunity is to potentially include:

- Different topics
- Combining NCAPOP projects / programmes, including alignment across the programme,

and / or joint working with other similar NCAPOP programmes

Transitioning to different models of data collection and operational methods for the audit, e.g. different sources of routine data

- Extending service coverage to include non-NHS funded care
- Additional, associated or enhanced delivery of any aspect of the project
- Other healthcare improvement initiatives either related to or linked with the project.

Up to £1,000,000

3) Section 8 of the specification also outline HQIPs ability to include devolved nations during

the contract as well as the criteria for inclusion. The value range along with the devolved nations applicable are described below.

Scotland - £63,612 to £69,236 per annum

Northern Ireland - £21,964 to £25,384 per annum

Guernsey - £760 to £836 per annum

Jersey - £1,140 to £1216 per annum

Isle of Man - £988 to £1,140 per annum

Please note, there is no commitment by the Authority at this stage to include any of the above aspirational intent

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend by either 24 months or 2x12 months.

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: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

HQIP NCA 2147

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 March 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

King's College London

Strand

London

WC2R 2LS

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Companies House

RC000297

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £2,280,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,279,999.98

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

HQIP

London

W1G 8LZ

Country

United Kingdom