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## **Notification Service for Vaccination Programme for TTP service**

Digital Health and Care Wales ("DHCW")

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Digital Health and Care Wales ("DHCW")

Ty Glan Yr Afon, 21 Cowbridge Road East

Cardiff

CF11 9AD

#### **Email**

[laura.panes@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:laura.panes@wales.nhs.uk)

#### **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.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**

Notification Service for Vaccination Programme for TTP service

Reference number

P642.19A

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 64000000 - Postal and telecommunications services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

DHCW is seeking to use UK Gov Notify – the government’s messaging platform to support its Covid-19 Vaccination programme and the issuing of electronic messaging to the citizens of Wales.

#### **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: £5,700,000

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

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

- 64000000 - Postal and telecommunications services
- 64212100 - Short Message Service (SMS) services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Across NHS Wales

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

DHCW is seeking to use UK Gov Notify – the government’s messaging platform to support its Covid-19 Vaccination programme. This solution is vital in ensuring that critical, urgent messages are issued efficiently from Health Boards to its patients. This service needs to be in place to support the Welsh Government’s Covid-19 Vaccination Service.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Conformance to the Specification / Weighting: Pass/Fail

Price - Weighting: 100

#### **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.2.14) Additional information**

The number of messages and letters sent will depend upon the roll out of the vaccination programme and the need for a potential third dose.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

It is clear with the continued roll out of the vaccination service, the use of the UK Gov Notify messaging platform will need to continue to be provisioned by DHCW for the next 12 months. An 'invite to attend' letter is still the initial "use case" for this service, which has significantly reduced the administrative burden on uHB's and/or DHCW in the printing and issuing of these letters. Finally it has been further developed in response to the COVID pandemic as the "go to" platform for use in respect of managing the risks of COVID. Therefore, the time limits for the open or restricted procedures or competitive procedures with negotiation cannot be complied with (even using the shortened time limits available).

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

### **Contract No**

P642.19A

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

18 June 2021

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

Cabinet Office (UK Gov Notify Service)

Government Digital Service, 1 Horse Guards Road

London

SW1A 2HQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £5,700,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

Use of the service will also significantly reduce the administrative burden on either uHB's or DHCW to print and send these letters. The service also enables the sending of SMS or emails and can therefore support the patient's preference when it comes to contact.

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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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