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## All Wales Costing System

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership-Procurement Services (hosted by Velindre University NHS Trust)

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### Section I: Contracting authority/entity

#### I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership-Procurement Services (hosted by Velindre University NHS Trust)

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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.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**

All Wales Costing System

Reference number

P447-23

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

**II.1.4) Short description**

NHS Wales intends to procure a 12 month agreement to ensure continuity of service of its current All Wales Patient Costing System, whilst it completes a new procurement process for a longer term solution. Current users are predominantly seven integrated Welsh Health Boards (HBs) and Velindre University NHS Trust (which provides a specialist cancer service in 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: £68,000

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

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

- 72310000 - Data-processing services

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

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

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

As per the short description provided additionally the use of the current sole supplier solution will continue for the 12 month period whilst the open competition is undertaken. All services to support the delivery of current Welsh Government reporting requirements to complete the Health Board/Trust's annual statutory Welsh Costing Returns (WCR's) as submitted to Welsh Government.

Suppliers are encouraged to view the new opportunity already published. Further information for which is provided in Section v1.3 of this notice.

#### **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

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

NHS Wales are currently undertaking an exercise to procure a new system that will replace the current Patient Level Costing System. It is vital in the meantime that the current system continues to run, ensuring Welsh government reporting requirements are satisfied. This is to ensure that Welsh Government statutory returns can continue be produced, and essential business intelligence information is available to Health Boards/Trusts.

The organisation intends to use the negotiated procedure without prior publication in accordance with the use of Public Contract Regulations 2015 32 (2)(b)(ii) and (iii), competition is absent for technical reasons and additionally (2)(b)(iii) - the protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights.

#### 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**

P447-23

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

31 March 2023

#### **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**

Assista Consulting UK Ltd

10 St. Andrew's Road , Crosby

Liverpool

L237UR

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: £68,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

NHS Wales intends to award an agreement to Assista Ltd for a period of 12 months.

NHS Wales is also currently running an open competitive tender process, which can be accessed under the following reference: OJEU reference number: 2023-131161

Bravo ITT Reference: 102478

To complete your formal proposal, of the new opportunity 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 an Interest in

the tender: - Click "ITT open to all suppliers" - Click ITT \_102478 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 to "decline to respond" - You can now use the "messages" function to

communicate - NOTE: Under the terms of this contract the successful supplier(s) will be required to deliver Social Value/ Community

Benefits in support of the authority's economic, environmental and social objectives. The Social Value/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=131880](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=131880).

(WA Ref:131880)

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

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

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Telephone

+44 2079477501

Country

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership – being a division of Velindre

University NHS Trust, will apply a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period between notifying the award decision and awarding the contract.

Should additional information be required it should be requested of the addressee in section VI.4.1).

Aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by breach of the procurement rules have the right to take action in the High Court (England and Wales). Any such action is subject to strict time limits in accordance with the Public Contracts(Amendments).