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Contract

Workforce Development Training

Business Services Organisation, Procurement and Logistics Service
NI Public Health Agency

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-049364

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.1) Name and addresses

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

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

Workforce Development Training

Reference number

5313954

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Workforce Development Training

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £2,810,228

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Training courses / programmes for the substance use workforce who work directly with individuals and families affected by problematic substance use

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Workforce Development Training

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 20

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Following the initial Contract period of 3 years there is a provision for up to 48 months extension, plus 18 months emergency extension.

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 estimated value stated in II.1.7 is for 3 years plus provision for up to 48 monthsextension, plus 18 months emergency extension and includes 50 percent contingency forpotential increase in demand. It is not a guarantee of uptake or minimum demand.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Training courses / programmes for the substance use workforce on substance use harm reduction

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Workforce Development Training

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 20

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

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II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Training courses for the substance use, mental health and tobacco workforce on motivational interviewing

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Workforce Development Training

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 20

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

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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: [2025/S 000-006940](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

1

Lot No

1

Title

Training courses / programmes for the substance use workforce who work directly with individuals and families affected by problematic substance use

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

16 April 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

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

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,626,628

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

2

Lot No

2

Title

Training courses / programmes for the substance use workforce on substance use harm reduction

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

16 April 2025

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £183,600

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

3

Lot No

3

Title

Training courses for the substance use, mental health and tobacco workforce on motivational interviewing

A contract/lot is awarded: No

V.1) Information on non-award

The contract/lot is not awarded

No tenders or requests to participate were received or all were rejected

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

In section 1.2, it is stated that this procurement is a joint procedure and contract award is by a Central Purchasing Body. This contract is not a joint contract, it is a Central Purchasing Body Contract operated by Business Services Organisation Procurement and Logistics Service on behalf of the participants listed in section 1.1.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Business Services Organisation Procurement and Logistics Service

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