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Contract

## **Workforce Development Training**

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

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-016037

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-049364

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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#### **Region code**

UKN - Northern Ireland

#### **Internet address(es)**

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Buyer's address

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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

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### **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**

- 800000000 - 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)**

- 800000000 - Education and training services
- 850000000 - 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)**

- 800000000 - Education and training services
- 850000000 - 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

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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

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**

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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](#)

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## **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

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## **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

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

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

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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

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## **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

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## **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

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom