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Contract

Autism Peer Education Training

NHS England

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-016596

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-035326

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS England

1st Floor, Quarry House, Quarry Hill

Leeds

LS2 7UE

Contact

Philip Scott

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.england.nhs.uk//>

Buyer's address

<https://www.england.nhs.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

Autism Peer Education Training

Reference number

C96300

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Development and delivery of a National Autism Peer Education Programme

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: £1,531,975

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80340000 - Special education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKE42 - Leeds

Main site or place of performance

leeds

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Health Education England is seeking to develop a single national offer that can be accessed equally across England to increase the provision of autism education and training for families and carers provided by families, carers, and autistic people.

This work aims to reduce unwarranted variation in access to, and quality of training and education resources and materials that are available to families, carers and personal assistants. To do this, it is expected that resources and training will need to meet a variety of learning needs, learning styles and access requirements and be accessible through a single point of access.

In addition to this, there will be a requirement to develop an autism peer educator's curriculum and a programme of training to train people to deliver this training across the country in several "places" (these will be agreed as part of the delivery process).

HEE (Health Education England) delivers across the 7 NHS regions in England (Northeast and Yorkshire, Northwest, Midlands, East of England, Southwest, Southeast and London) and providers would be required to deliver training that would ensure autism peer education capabilities are developed in all these regions.

Health Education England, in partnership with NHS England, is committed to working with

people and families and will require that this programme of work is co-developed and delivered with autistic people and their families. It is anticipated that a number of organisations may wish to collaborate to ensure they have sufficient capacity and experience to deliver this offer, so Health Education England would encourage and support applications from any consortium or collaborators, outlining the proposed nature of the collaboration and how it is proposed to deliver the programme.

The programme of work is expected to take place over three years from commencement in 2022-to 31 March 2025, subject to annual funding and performance reviews and the contract will be offered aligned to this approach.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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

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

Notice number: [2022/S 000-019582](#)

IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 4

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

National Autistic Society

391-393 City Road, London

London

EC1V 1NG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

01205298

Internet address

www.autism.org.uk

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: £1,600,000

Lowest offer: £1,524,395 / Highest offer: £1,531,975 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.judiciary.uk/courts-and-tribunals/high-court/>

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

NHS England

1st Floor, Quarry House, Quarry Hill

Leeds

LS2 7UE

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United Kingdom

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