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## **Consultancy work to evaluate the all-Wales Suspected Cancer Pathway (SCP) Programme**

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.procurement.wales.nhs.uk>

Buyer's address

[http://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221](http://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/home.html>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<http://NWSSP.Cardiff.Procurement@wales.nhs.uk>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

## Consultancy work to evaluate the all-Wales Suspected Cancer Pathway (SCP) Programme

Reference number

CAV-ITT-PROJECT53738

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

- 79419000 - Evaluation consultancy services

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

Services

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

NHS Procurement Wales, on behalf of the NHS Executive, Wales Cancer Network, wishes to invite proposals for the evaluation of the all-Wales Suspected Cancer Programme (SCP) programme.

The 3-year Suspected Cancer Pathway (SCP) Programme was introduced in April 2021, as a national programme to support NHS organisations to transform their cancer patient pathways through a whole system approach. The programme was intended to provide a platform for innovation across the diagnostic and treatment intervals of the patient pathway by developing a suite of National Optimal Pathways (NOPs). The NOPs are designed to align with the metric of the Suspected Cancer Pathway, and describe the optimal steps, sequence and associated timings along the patient cancer pathway, including all diagnostic steps, investigations and treatments. The SCP programme aims to deliver the vision of the NOPs aligned to the metric of the SCP to achieve better outcomes and experience for cancer patients across Wales.

We require a robust and independent assessment of the impact of the SCP programme.

The following key programme deliverables were identified:

- To review, develop and publish the National Optimal Pathways.
- In partnership with cancer Multidisciplinary Teams support the implement of the National Optimal Pathways through a whole-system approach.
- Support health boards to improve SCP performance (Point of Suspicion to First Definitive Treatment).

- Deliver the programme through a Value Based Health Care approach, to achieve better outcomes and experiences for cancer patients.
- Work collaboratively with health boards and stakeholders to share learning from the programme activities.

#### Programme aim and objectives

##### Aim:

- To enable effective implementation of the SCP across Wales, through a whole system approach informed by business intelligence data.

##### Objectives:

- To support health boards/trust in Wales to implement the SCP performance target (Point of Suspicion to First Definitive Treatment within 62 days) aligned to the best practice principles described by the National Optimal Pathways.
- To work in partnership with cancer MDTs to embed the vision of the National Optimal Pathways.

To support Health Boards/ Trust to implement data driven service improvements across the National Optimal Pathways

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £100,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 79419000 - Evaluation consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

Main site or place of performance

NHS Collaborative - Cardiff

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

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**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

**II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

6

This contract is subject to renewal

No

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

**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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

Details can be found within the tender documents. The documents can be obtained from eTender Wales Bravo Solutionas

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.1) Information about a particular profession**

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

As stated within the ITT

#### **III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

4 July 2023

Local time

12:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

4 July 2023

Local time

12:00pm



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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

Please note additional information on this procurement:

1. The Contracting Authority reserves the right to award the contract in whole, in part or annul the tendering process and not award contract.
2. Bidders should note that they will be required to enter into terms and conditions of contract as set out in the ITT and that save for matters of clarification or consistency the Contracting Authority will not negotiate the terms.
3. The Contracting Authority will not accept completed ITT's after the stated closing date.
4. All documents to be priced (where applicable) in sterling and all payments made in sterling.
5. All tender costs and liabilities incurred by bidders shall be the sole responsibility of the bidders.
6. In reference to II.1.9 (Variants) to the extent permitted, if at all, in the tender documents.
7. Prospective suppliers should note that NHS Shared Services Partnership - Procurement Services is acting on behalf of Cardiff and Vale ULHB.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Sell2Wales Web Site at

[http://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=65818](http://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=65818).

NOTE: The authority is using eTenderwales to carry out this procurement process. To obtain further information record your interest on

Sell2Wales at [http://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search\\_switch.aspx?ID=68368](http://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search_switch.aspx?ID=68368)

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The Health Board will ensure that this procurement process, which is being undertaken in accordance with the Open Procedure, pursuant to and as defined in the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) Light Touch Regime.

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

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

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<http://www.procurement.wales.nhs.uk>