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Contract

Workforce Specialist Services

The Common Services Agency (more commonly known as NHS National Services Scotland) ("NSS")

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-017120

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-031bac

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The Common Services Agency (more commonly known as NHS National Services Scotland) ("NSS")

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NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

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Main address

<http://www.nss.nhs.scot/browse/procurement-and-logistics>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA11883

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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 Specialist Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85312320 - Counselling services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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The workforce specialist service will offer specialism in treating and supporting regulated practitioners who:

- experience increased risks of suffering mental illness including difficulties with addiction and suicidality.
- suffer stigmatisation and difficulty accessing confidential assessment and treatment for mental health;
- and who are reluctant to seek help due to concerns about professional implications (e.g. regulator involvement, detriment to career progression, impact of having time off sick).

The service provided is expected to be led by a multi-professional team with experience in treating regulated professionals.

The service should offer specialism in treating addictions including capability to provide or arrange in-patient detoxification and/or rehabilitation therapy.

The provider will also support mobilisation, advisory and consultancy support for the Workforce Specialist Service

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: £4,800,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85312320 - Counselling services
- 85312300 - Guidance and counselling services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract may be extended for up to 2 X 12 months

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 contract will run for an initial period of 12 months, from 6th April 2022 to 5th April 2023, with the option to extend for up to a further 2 X 12 months

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

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

Explanation:

The Authority believes there is only one provider capable of meeting its requirement for this service.

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

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

NSS212245

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 June 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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: 0

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Hurley Group

Ebenezer House, Kennington Lane

London

SE11 4HJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £4,800,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Sherriff Court House

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

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Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Economic operators should approach the contracting authority in the first instance. However, the only formal remedy is to apply to the courts:

An economic operator that suffers, or is at risk of suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 or the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014, may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Session.

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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