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Contract

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

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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Buyer's address

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.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Health

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.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Value excluding VAT: £99,920

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70%

Price - Weighting: 30%

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: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CAV-ITT-PROJECT53738

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

18 December 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 14

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 6

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 14

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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London

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £100,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £99,920

Section VI. Complementary information

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.

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

(WA Ref:68368)

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.

(WA Ref:142164)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

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Internet address

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