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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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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-03d605

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

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

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#### **Telephone**

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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.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.1.6) 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

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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: [2023/S 000-016823](#)

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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**

Carnall Farrar

91 Wimpole Street

London

W1G0EF

Telephone

+44 2037707536

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



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## 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](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)

(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

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

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