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Contract

Social Work Leadership CPD Programme

Department for Education

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02de36

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Social Work Leadership CPD Programme

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This contract is to design,

develop and deliver a cohesive leadership CPD programme to

approximately 1000 social workers each contract year, that includes a

range of models, and is tailored to reflect the needs and aspirations of

leaders at the following stages of a social worker's leadership journey:

Practice Supervisor

Middle Manager

Head of Service

Practice Leade

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: £7,107,743

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)

Main site or place of performance

The service is available to local authorities in England.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Programme aims

One of the Department's four priority outcomes is to support the most disadvantaged and vulnerable children and young people through high-quality local services so that no one is left behind. Ensuring there is a consistently high quality of social work practice and leadership in every area is key to achieving this outcome.

The aim of the leadership programme is to ensure children and families receive the highest quality practice. This leadership programme will offer a consistently high standard of leadership and management training to child and family social workers at each leadership level that is central to deliver the best practice for children. To achieve this aim, we expect the programme to:

- a. Equip child and family social workers with the skills they need to be effective leaders and managers throughout their career.
- b. Develop a pathway for leaders from Practice Supervisor through to Practice Leader level, providing a clear career journey to senior leadership.
- c. Empower leaders to embed their learning and development in the workplace and model high quality practice, underpinned by theory and best evidence.
- d. Inspire leaders to champion the Post Qualifying Standards (PQS) for Practice Supervisors and Knowledge and Skills Statements (KSS) for Practice Leaders and support the development of knowledge and skills in the managers and frontline practitioners that they supervise.

As part of our drive to establish a professionally based career pathway, Post Qualifying Standards (PQS) and Knowledge and Skills Statements (KSS) for Practice Supervisors and Practice Leaders will be the foundation of the programme. This will provide a consistent, evidenced approach, allowing leaders to demonstrate they have the right knowledge and skills to carry out their role effectively and ensure social workers are being trained to a high standard. We also want the programme to use the learning of the 7/7/7 model for social work practice and embed the learning from the 7/7/7 model into the programme. We envisage that this approach will establish a legacy of identifying all training and development needs against the national standards, addressing those needs with an evidence-based learning solution that combines expertise in andragogy with expertise in social work practice.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Design, Develop and Manage Operational Delivery of Practice Leadership CPD Programme / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Project Management and Governance / Weighting: 12

Quality criterion - Name: Contractor Management and Governance / Weighting: 6

Quality criterion - Name: Communications and Engagement / Weighting: 6

Quality criterion - Name: Ensuring Quarterly Key Performance and Delivery Plan Updates / Weighting: 6

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Developing the Pricing Model / Weighting: 5

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 35

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

This contract will be for an initial period of 2 years with options to be exercisable under the contract to extend the contract for a period or periods up to a further 24 months depending on business needs.

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

CON_14232

Title

Social Work Leadership CPD Programme

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

5 July 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The Frontline Organisation

41 Brunswick Square

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)

Total value of the contract/lot: £7,107,743

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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