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Contract

Independent Evaluation of Scotland's Dementia Post-Diagnostic Support

Scottish Government

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish Government

Victoria Quay, Leith Docks

Edinburgh

EH6 6QQ

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Independent Evaluation of Scotland's Dementia Post-Diagnostic Support

Reference number

722528

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79419000 - Evaluation consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Scottish Government (SG), on behalf of the Scottish Ministers, wishes to commission an independent evaluation which will contribute to ambitions of the New dementia strategy for Scotland: Everyone's Story and the accompanying first two-year Delivery Plan (2024-2026).

One of the key policy aims in Scotland's new dementia strategy is improving on the uptake and delivery of post diagnostic support (PDS), which has been Scotland's flagship policy in dementia for over 10 years.

The findings from the evaluation will support decision making regarding the future direction of national PDS policy and/or the modification and widening out of existing PDS service models. It will also enable us to evidence the efficacy and potential for improvements to access, uptake and quality.

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: £137,145.25

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79419000 - Evaluation consultancy services
- 73210000 - Research consultancy services
- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services
- 73110000 - Research services
- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Scottish Government (SG), on behalf of the Scottish Ministers, wishes to commission an independent evaluation which will contribute to ambitions of the New dementia strategy for Scotland

One of the key policy aims in Scotland's new dementia strategy is improving on the uptake and delivery of post diagnostic support (PDS), which has been Scotland's flagship policy in dementia for over 10 years. Recognising the importance of getting it right for people following diagnosis, the following was set as a Local Delivery Plan (LDP) standard by Scottish Government and health boards:

"People newly diagnosed with dementia will be offered a minimum of one year's post-diagnostic support, coordinated by a named link worker."

Our ambition, set out in the new Dementia Strategy, is to ensure everyone who receives a diagnosis of dementia has equitable access to PDS, irrespective of where they live, how old they are, and what stage their dementia has progressed to. This support should also be person-centred, trauma-informed and responds to people's needs and preferences.

The first 2-year Delivery Plan commits to an independent evaluation of Scotland's Post Diagnostic Support policy and delivery, including the perspective of people living with dementia and care partners/unpaid carers and those living in care homes. The evaluation will provide evidence of the value and impact of Post-Diagnostic Support to date, helping inform future PDS policy, service planning and practice.

The evaluation aims are to:

- Provide a comprehensive assessment of the current provision of PDS in relation to the expected outcomes set out in the Dementia Strategy.
- Understand the variation in service delivery models and experiences of PDS, to provide insights into PDS delivery and impact.
- Identify areas of learning and improvement to support progress towards the Dementia Strategy PDS outcomes, and inform decision making on policy and service delivery.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 75

Price - Weighting: 25

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

722528

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

9 April 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 4

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

IFF Research Ltd.

5th Floor St Magnus House, 3 Lower Thames Street

London

EC3R 6HD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI31 - Camden and City of London

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £137,145.25

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted

Value or proportion likely to be subcontracted to third parties

Proportion: 10 %

Short description of the part of the contract to be subcontracted

- Peer review of all research tools;
- Input into ethics application and processes;
- Participation in logic model workshop;
- Contribution to analysis and analysis sessions;
- Participation in presentations/contribution analysis workshops;
- Peer review of outputs.

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom