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Contract

Interim Orders Tribunal

General Medical Council (GMC)

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-0397ed

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

General Medical Council (GMC)

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NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

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Main address

<http://www.gmc-uk.org>

Buyer's address

https://www.mytenders.co.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA19541

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

Other activity

Medical Regulator

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Interim Orders Tribunal

Reference number

GMC1680

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79110000 - Legal advisory and representation services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Section 41A of the Medical Act 1983 (as amended) provides the power to impose an interim order of suspension or conditions on a practitioner's registration where such an order is necessary for the protection of members of the public or is otherwise in the public interest, or is in the interests of the practitioner.

The interim order, for an initial period of up to 18 months, may be imposed by an Interim Orders' Tribunal (IOT) or a Medical Practitioners Tribunal (MPT) of the Medical Practitioners Tribunal Service (MPTS). At the end of the initial period, the interim order may be extended by the High Court, on application by the GMC. Any extension of an interim order is for a maximum of 12 months, although there is no limit on the number of extensions that may be sought.

The legislation requires that once an interim order has been imposed, it is reviewed at regular intervals (every 6 months or 3 months depending on the order), both before and after any extension authorised by the High Court.

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: £960,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79110000 - Legal advisory and representation services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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This Tender relates to the provision of all advocacy before the Interim Orders Tribunal. For the avoidance of doubt, this Tender does not include advocacy services in relation to applications for extension orders in the High Court or for defending challenges issued in the High Court under the provisions of s.41A(10) of the Medical Act 1983 against Interim Orders.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality criterion / Weighting: 75%

Cost criterion - Name: Cost criterion / 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

GMC1680

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 May 2023

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: 1

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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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £960,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(MT Ref:230031)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit>