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## **Domestic Abuse Perpetrators Research**

Home Office

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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#### **NUTS code**

UKI - London

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/home-office>

## **I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com/>

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## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

## **I.5) Main activity**

Public order and safety

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Domestic Abuse Perpetrators Research

Reference number

C21881

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

1.1. Following the previous round of research funding, the Home Office is seeking to award up to a total of £1.5 million to support a number of short-term research projects into domestic abuse perpetrators to inform future policy making and develop the evidence base more broadly.

1.2. The primary aim of this fund is to develop our understanding of the perpetrators of domestic abuse, and to strengthen the evidence base for 'what works' in addressing their behaviour.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £1,500,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 73100000 - Research and experimental development services
- 73110000 - Research services
- 79315000 - Social research services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Domestic abuse is a devastating crime that shatters the lives of victims and their families. For the year ending March 2020, the Crime Survey for England and Wales (CSEW) estimates that 2.3 million adults (1.6 million women and 757,000 men) aged 16 to 74 years experienced domestic abuse in the last year. Much of this abuse does not come to the attention of the police, with only 17% of partner abuse victims reporting their experience to the police in the year to March 2018. Despite the significant prevalence of these crimes, little is known about perpetrators of domestic abuse.

Tackling violence against women and girls (VAWG) is a government priority. VAWG consists of the most abhorrent of abuses; rape and sexual assault, domestic abuse, 'honour'-based violence such as forced marriage and female genital mutilation, stalking and harassment – and other crimes. What they have in common is that they disproportionately – but not exclusively – affect women and girls. These crimes can have lasting and severe impacts to the physical and mental health of all victims, their families, communities and the economy.

Later this year we will publish a new Domestic Abuse Strategy. Producing a strategy dedicated to tackling domestic abuse is in recognition of its pervasiveness and the devastating harm it is having on millions of lives. This be developed to complement the Tackling Violence Against Women and Girls Strategy that was published in July, sharing the same evidence base and governance mechanisms.

Not only will we continue to ensure that effective criminal justice sanctions are taken against perpetrators, but we will also support sustainable behaviour change and robust disruption to reduce reoffending and stop perpetrators from moving from one victim to the next. We have continued to work hard to ensure that we are able to bring more perpetrators to justice and support victims through the criminal justice system, including through our landmark Domestic Abuse Act and a programme of non-legislative action to transform the response to this appalling crime.

As part of this, we are allocating £1.5 million specifically for research to support effective commissioning and delivery of services and interventions. The primary aim of this fund is to develop our understanding of the perpetrators of domestic abuse, and to strengthen the

evidence base for 'what works' in addressing their behaviour. Specifically, we would like to invite research proposals which will build our knowledge around the following areas.

Research Q1 - Causes, drivers and aggravating factors of domestic abuse. Research which increases our understanding of the long-term 'causes' of domestic abuse

Research Q2 - Identifying perpetrators of domestic abuse

Research which builds our understanding of who perpetrators of abuse are, including the characteristics of perpetrators and numbers of perpetrators.

Research Q3 - Interpersonal abuse in adolescent relationships

Research into the perpetration of domestic abuse in adolescent intimate-partner relationships. We are particularly interested in the risk factors which might make young people more vulnerable to domestic abuse

Research Q4 What works in preventing offending

Research that expands our understanding of 'what works' for preventing abuse at different stages of victimisation.

Research Q5: Domestic abuse risk assessment

Research into domestic abuse risk assessment, looking at what works in terms of risk identification approaches and tools and analysis on the predictive validity of particular tools

Research Q6: Evaluation

Research into the effectiveness of perpetrator programmes. We are interested in understanding the impact that interventions can have in reducing the risk of (re-) offending.

Research Q7: Domestic Abuse-related suicides. Research into the link between domestic abuse and suicide for perpetrators of domestic abuse and their victims.

5.8. Research 8 - Feasibility studies Feasibility project(s)

## **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

## **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £1,500,000

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months

4

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

### **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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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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: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

20 October 2021

Local time

12:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

20 October 2021

Local time

12:00pm

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### VI.3) Additional information

The Home Office uses an eSourcing toolkit to enable its sourcing activities to be conducted over the internet.

The procurement will be managed electronically via the Home Office's e-Sourcing Suite. To participate in this procurement, participants must first be registered on the e-Sourcing Suite. If you have not yet registered, this can be done online at <https://homeoffice.app.iaggaer.com/web/login.html> by following the link 'To register click here'.

To register, you must have a valid DUNS number (provided by Dun and Bradstreet) for the organisation being registered and who will be entering into a commercial agreement if invited to do so.

Further instructions for registration and use of the system can be found at <https://homeoffice.app.iaggaer.com/web/login.html>.

You will need to express an interest in the project which is can be searched via the title Domestic Abuse Perpetrators Research. Once an expression of interest has been expressed documents will then be available for download.

### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

Home office

London

Country

United Kingdom