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Planning

Provision of part time Practitioner Training Programme (PTP) Healthcare Science education for Clinical Engineering, Life Sciences and Audiology

Health Education and Improvement Wales

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

https://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.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Provision of part time Practitioner Training Programme (PTP) Healthcare Science education for Clinical Engineering, Life Sciences and Audiology

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW) are undertaking a review of Health Professional Education and Training Services delivered to NHS Wales. HEIW are seeking to commission part time Practitioner Training Programme (PTP) Healthcare Science education for Clinical Engineering, Life Sciences and Audiology.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Clinical Engineering

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 80300000 - Higher education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKL - Wales

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW) is a key stakeholder in healthcare science transformation in Wales. Traditionally, individuals achieve Practitioner Training Programme (PTP) status through undertaking a BSc (Hons) Healthcare Science, full time over 3 years including both academic study and work-based learning. HEIW is committed to commission part time education to enable people already employed in clinical engineering, audiology and life sciences, to access a BSc programme alongside existing employment to achieve Practitioner Training Programme (PTP) status. This education is a type of apprenticeship model that will enable people to train whilst remaining in the workforce.

The education that will be commissioned is 120 credits at level 5 and 120 credits at level 6 to enable award of BSc (Hons) over 3 years.

Lot 1 – Clinical engineering

Lot 2 - Life sciences

Lot 3 - Audiology

Life sciences education must also be available as stand alone modules to enable them to be accessed by Students with an existing relevant degree eg BSc (Hons) Biomedical Sciences to achieve PTP through degree assessment. The IBMS assess existing degree content and determine which additional modules from the full 240 credits a Student needs to complete.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Life Sciences

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKL - Wales

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II.2.1) Title

Audiology

Lot No

3

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• 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKL - Wales

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 May 2023

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

In line with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, NHS Wales Procurement Services and HEIW wish to hold a Preliminary Market Consultation event prior to launching a procurement procedure for the delivery of education and training services for part time Practitioner Training Programme (PTP) Healthcare Science for Clinical Engineering, Life Sciences and Audiology.

As such, discussions will be held with education providers prior to starting a procurement procedure, the purpose being to both inform education providers and to allow Procurement Services and HEIW to seek advice in the planning and conduct of the procurement procedure.

Procurement Services and HEIW will run the Preliminary Market Consultation event virtually via Microsoft Teams on Wednesday 19th October 2022 starting at 14:00.

Potential bidders will be provided with further insight into the requirement and given the opportunity to ask questions. In order to help define the requirement and to develop the contract's requirement, following the presentation/Q&A session, potential bidders will have an opportunity to have a 1:1 with HEIW representatives (maximum 10 minute allocated slot).

Next Steps - potential bidders who are interested in attending this event:

- 1. Are invited to express an interest to the email address below confirming the names and positions of proposed attendees.
- 2. Please confirm if your organisation would like to book a 10-minute slot to further discuss the requirements with HEIW and Procurement

Services.

3. Please confirm by Friday 30th September 2022 whether you require any materials in the medium of the Welsh Language.

Email to express interest: <u>Gemma.Roscrow@wales.nhs.uk</u>

Potential bidders should note that this engagement event together with any other soft market sounding in relation to this proposed procurement, may not necessarily lead to a formal procurement and/or award of any contracts. Further, that any information provided by potential bidders during this engagement event, may be used by HEIW to help to

scope the proposed procurement/services and may also be shared widely with other potential bidders/providers. Accordingly, potential bidders are advised not to share any confidential information and/or information they would not wish to be shared more widely. HEIW accepts no liability for any costs incurred by bidders as a result of attending the engagement event.

Please note that it is not a requirement for an OJEU notice to be translated bilingually on Sell2Wales, however, if you require a copy of the PIN Notice in Welsh this is available to all interested potential bidders.

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