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Award

National Programme of Autism Training for Psychiatrists

Health Education England

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-036b3e

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://www.hee.nhs.uk>

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

National Programme of Autism Training for Psychiatrists

Reference number

C103680

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 England are putting out this notice as a VEAT (Voluntary Ex anti Transparency Notice) with a view to completing a Direct Award to The Royal College of Psychiatrists.

The case for direct award can be found on the tender portal.

HEE is seeking a provider to appoint a provider to deliver The National programme of Autism training for Psychiatrists The programme of work is expected to take place over three years from commencement in October 2022-to 31 March 2025, subject to annual funding reviews. The contract will be offered aligned to this approach with an ability to review and refine the requirements in response to information and data from the end of year evaluation report.

HEE believes that it is highly unlikely for any other supplier to be able to provide the following skills/tools provided by The Royal College of Psychiatrists as a supplier for the following reasons:

Lack of knowledge, in-depth experience, capacity, and capabilities to deliver the programme

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: £1,346,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKE42 - Leeds

Main site or place of performance

Leeds

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

HEE delivers across the 7 NHS regions in England (Northeast and Yorkshire, North West, Midlands, East of England, South West, South East and London) and any potential supplier would be required to deliver training that would ensure psychiatry capabilities are developed in all of these regions.

Health Education England is committed to working with people and families and will require that this programme of work is co-developed and delivered with autistic people and their families. Delivery organisations will be expected to outline how they proposed develop and deliver the programme in co-production with autistic people and their families as part of their proposal.

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The RCPsych is the only supplier with the requisite expertise and experience to assist HEE and NHSE achieve its deliverables and actions set out in UK government policy and the Long-Term Plan to reduce health inequalities for autistic people, to: -

(i) tackle health inequalities - by ensuring specialist autism teams across the country have access to a sufficient supply of highly skilled psychiatrists with enhanced skills in autism diagnosis, and therapeutic approaches.

(ii) improve community support for autistic people – by ensuring that consultant psychiatrists working across a range of community specialities, including mental health, children and young people, older adults, and forensic services, are skilled in the recognition and assessment of autism.

(iii) improve support within the criminal and youth justice systems – by ensuring that psychiatrists working in these settings are skilled in the recognition and assessment of autism.

Specifically, the Royal College of Psychiatrists can provide access to a breadth of national expertise in neurodevelopmental psychiatry to support the design, development and delivery of a training programme that will offer the diversity of training needed, to develop both an enhanced autism specialist offer, and a foundation autism training programme for psychiatrists in wider community services.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

22 September 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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LONDON

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NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

228636

Internet address

<https://www.rcpsych.ac.uk/improving-care/nccmh>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £1,346,000

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Health Education England

Duncome Street,

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Country

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Internet address

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VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Health Education England

Duncome Street,

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Internet address

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VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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