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Ministry of Justice

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

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II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80500000 - Training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This is a Prior Information Notice (PIN) for a market engagement event for the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) to provide details of the Level 3 Probation Service Practitioner apprenticeship for probation professionals.

Probation staff are critical to the delivery of probation services and the Probation Service

is increasing recruitment of Probation Service Officers and staff working directly with people on probation and victims, to match the criminal justice system demand. The Offender Management Act 2007 s10 sets out the Secretary of State for Justice's right to publish guidelines about qualifications, experience or training required to be a Probation Officer, and obligation to publish these guidelines in relation to those undertaking Sentence Management work. The Probation Practitioner at Level 3 will be added to these guidelines as the recognised qualification for staff working with all individuals eligible for probation support - including people on probation, people pre-sentence and victims.

The funding band agreed by the Department for Education is £5,000 per learner. The apprenticeship standards have been approved by the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education and the standards and end point assessment can be viewed here - <https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/probation-services-practitioner/?view=standard>

The outline of the 7 key modules will be provided to suppliers with the expectation that the provider will design and deliver this to relevant staff within probation. The sessions will need to provide apprentices with an opportunity to practice skills and to reflect on and develop confidence in applying learning from the Authorities package of learning into practice. The sessions are linked to the duties outlined in the apprenticeship standards and should cover all of the associated skills and behaviours.

The contract is estimated to run for 5 years, with the first 3 years permitting enrolments and the final 2 years to complete the delivery of the apprenticeship. However, the contract term is subject to internal approvals.

This Market Engagement event is to explain the high-level requirements of delivering the Probation Service Practitioner apprenticeship across the HMPPS estate in England and Wales , receive feedback from providers and to advise providers of the next steps

The Market Engagement event will take place on 18th September at 10am for all interested providers.

Further to this, the Ministry of Justice would like to invite providers to one to one meetings following this session. Slots will be allocated on a first come first served basis between 11.30am and 4pm on 18th September and between 10am and 4pm on 19th September for a maximum of 30 minutes.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £14,500,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Apprenticeship delivery to probation professionals

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 October 2024

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

Please register your interest via PQQ_449 - Probation Service Practitioner Apprenticeship Market Engagement in the MoJ Jaggaer Portal by no later than 5pm Friday 13th September. Please send a message through PQQ_499 requesting attendance at the market engagement event . Providers are limited to an attendance of two members of staff.

Please include the following detail in your message;

- Full name (s)
- Company/organisation name
- Contact details (E-mail and phone number)
- Please indicate if you would like a separate one to one session

If you do not have an account, please register on Jaggaer to create an account.

<https://ministryofjusticecommercial.bravosolution.co.uk/>

If you have problems registering please contact 0845 0100 132 or e-mail

esourcing@justice.gov.uk

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Additionally the Authority (MoJ) reserves the right to discontinue the tendering process and not to award the

contract.

The information contained in this notice, including information relating to the nature and scope of the

requirements, the estimated value, the service classification of this requirement or the list of CPV codes, is

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at its absolute discretion to amend it at the time of issue of any further notices or at any other time. The

publication of this notice in no way obliges the Authority to commence any competitive tender process. The

Authority is not / shall not be liable for any costs incurred by those expressing an interest in participating

in this market engagement exercise. Any contracts are subject to the relevant legal and Cabinet Office

controls and policies.

The Authority reserves the right to source items included through other means (e.g. an existing contract or

framework).