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Award

Education Programme for Digital Competencies

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.procurement.wales.nhs.uk>

Buyer's address

http://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221

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

Education Programme for Digital Competencies

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership wish to inform the market that they intend to award a contract for Education Programme for Digital Competencies

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: £1,300,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership, on behalf of Cardiff and Vale University Local Health Board wish to inform the market that they intend to award a contract for Education Programme for Digital Competencies.

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 Respiratory Health Implementation Group (RHIG) has been established to reduce

inappropriate variation in respiratory care across Wales. RHIG have focused implementation around an original digital transformational program incorporating data, education and quality improvement. This means understanding relevant data for Wales, such as national databases and audit and embedding National Welsh Standards.

All of these components are delivered using an integrated digital platform that has been designed as a bespoke system aligned with providing online national guidelines and education with quality improvement support. The program is freely accessible to the workforce across Wales and provides different levels of communication ranging from higher level TV shows for GPs and managers to specific training tutorials and assessment for healthcare professionals, and further video education for patients via the NHS Wales self-management apps. This provides quick access to the right information and joins up the whole system across Health Boards, right through to the patient, their families and carers.

In just four years, the transformation program has delivered change in the clinical practice of thousands of healthcare practitioners across each of all Health Boards in Wales. This directly impacts over 70,000 COPD patients, over 250,000 asthmatics and tens of thousands more patients with lung disease and breathing problems.

Across the nation, it is expected that up to 20,000 patients incorrectly diagnosed with COPD will be correctly diagnosed and the care and management of tens of thousands more patients being fully optimised and put on appropriate therapy. The national asthma and COPD apps will help patients manage their own conditions and reduce admissions. The development and delivery of a series of national management pathways and apps has been unparalleled and sets NHS Wales up as world leaders in digital innovation and has allowed RHIG to ensure there is a value-based focus in respiratory medicine.

Due to the bespoke construction of the digital platform and ongoing support and development, the Institute of Clinical Science and Technology is the only provider in the market that can supply these specialist services to RHIG.

Based on the above, the Health Board on behalf of RHIG is applying a 10 day standstill period prior to awarding a one year contract with the option to extend for a further 12 months.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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

2 November 2021

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

Institute of Clinical Science and Technology

33-35 Cathedral road, 33

CARDIFF

CF119HB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £1,300,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The value stated in this notice includes the one year extension option which is at the sole discretion of the Health Board

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Cardiff Crown Court

Cardiff

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<http://www.procurement.wales.nhs.uk>

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership on behalf of Cardiff and Vale University Local Health Board will allow a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period between notifying the award decision and awarding the contract.

Should additional information be required it should be requested of the addressee in section I.1. Aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by breach of the procurement rules have the right to take action in the High Court (England and Wales). Any such action is subject to strict time limits in accordance with the Public Contracts 2015 (Amendments).