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## **HEIW Provision of Work Based Learning Qualification Development**

Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW)

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-027853

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-040283

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

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

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United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKL - Wales

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://heiw.nhs.wales/>

Buyer's address

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221](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**

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

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

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

HEIW Provision of Work Based Learning Qualification Development

Reference number

PRO-OJEULT-51487

#### **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) has undertaken a strategic review of health professional education and training across NHS Wales. HEIW commissions both pre-registration and post-registration qualifications for the NHS Wales workforce.

HEIW identified a requirement to procure a framework agreement for the provision of work based learning qualification development, including individual units/modules or qualifications at education levels from Entry Level 1 to Level 8.

This is to notify the refresh for the HEIW Provision of Work-Based Learning Qualification Development Framework which was undertaken in 2022.

The Contract Award Notice to which this is associated is: 2023-129769

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

Value excluding VAT: £490,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 80300000 - Higher education services
- 80320000 - Medical education services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

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

Work based learning is valued for its flexibility, capability for small cohort numbers, cost-effectiveness, and strong focus on applied practical knowledge and skills. Work based learning qualifications are now recognised as a potential solution for post registration education and the opportunities for higher level post registration work based learning qualification development is ever growing. HEIW have identified the need to procure a framework agreement to provide flexibility for HEIW when commissioning work based learning qualification development, this notice is regarding the refresh from Contract Award notice: 2023-129769. The Framework will remain open throughout its lifetime to allow on an annual basis, new entrants to the market (prospective Bidders) to seek appointment onto the Framework.

The scope of the framework agreement will enable HEIW to commission work based learning qualification development. The qualification

size will be variable and the education levels that will be captured in the framework agreement will be as follows:

Entry level 1

Entry level 2

Entry level 3

Level 1

Level 2

Level 3

Level 4

Level 5

Level 6

Level 7

Level 8

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

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

Value excluding VAT: £490,000

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

Start date

1 April 2024

End date

31 March 2026

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This contract will be subject to renewal at the discretion of the Contracting Authority. The Contracting Authority may exercise its option to extend for a further two years in two twelve month intervals up to 31st March 2030.

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

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **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

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement with the successful bidders and there is no maximum number of

successful bidders that will be appointed to the framework agreement.

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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

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

As stated within the procurement documents

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

Justification for any framework agreement duration exceeding 4 years: The requirement falls under the Light Touch Regime therefore providing the ability to exceed 4 years, this is also in line with the review period once Qualification and/or Units/Modules are developed

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-129769](#)

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

Date

29 November 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English, Welsh

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

Date

29 November 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The Services to which this Notice relates fall within Regulations 74 to 76 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (Regulations).

Although HEIW may voluntarily adopt certain provisions in the Regulations neither the employment of any terminology nor any other indication shall be taken to mean that the contracting authority intends to hold itself bound by any of the Regulations save those applicable to services falling within Regulations 74 to 76. Bidders to note that they will be required to enter into terms and conditions of contract as set out in the tender documents and that save for matters of clarification or consistency, HEIW will not negotiate the terms. As this is a procurement that falls under the Light Touch Regime, HEIW is proposing to use a procurement procedure which is akin to the open procedure. All tender costs and any liabilities incurred by bidders shall be the sole responsibility of the bidders. HEIW reserves the right to pause, halt, abandon and/or annul the tendering process and not to appoint to the Framework Agreement. Bidders to note appointment to the Framework Agreement does not guarantee the award of further contracts as a result of mini competition participation.

To complete your formal proposal, please access the ITT via the Bravo eTender Wales portal where you will find a full suite of tender documentation.

This Framework Agreement procurement is a refresh of a previous Award which are as follows:

Award Notice: 2023-129769

Contract Notice: 2022-125562



PIN: 2022-122881

## 2. Express and Interest in the tender:

- Click 'ITT Open to all suppliers'
- Click ITT\_103364 and express interest
- This will move the ITT into your 'my ITTs page'
- You can access any attachments by clicking 'buyer attachments' in the 'ITT details' box

## 3. Responding to the tender

- Click 'my response' under 'ITT details'. You can choose to 'create response' or 'decline to respond'
- You can now use the messages function to communicate with HEIW.

The Framework will remain open throughout its lifetime to allow on an annual basis, new entrants to the market (prospective Bidders) to seek appointment onto the Framework.

Future Refresh Dates are as follows which will be opened after 12 noon on the 30th November for each calendar year.

- 1st April 2025, [responses by 30th November 2024]
- 1st April 2026, [responses by 30th November 2025]
- 1st April 2027, [responses by 30th November 2026]
- 1st April 2028, [responses by 30th November 2027] \*
- 1st April 2029, [responses by 30th November 2028] \*

\*In the event the Framework Agreement is extended

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Sell2Wales Web Site at

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=134872](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=134872).

Under the terms of this contract the successful supplier(s) will be required to deliver Community Benefits in support of the authority's economic and social objectives.

Accordingly, contract performance conditions may relate in particular to social and environmental considerations. The Community Benefits included in this contract are:

Detailed in the Tender documentation

(WA Ref:134872)

The buyer considers that this contract is suitable for consortia.

## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

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