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#### Tender

# Independent Information, Advice and Advocacy Service to Support Independent Living [3854319]

Business Services Organisation - Procurement and Logistics Service on behalf of Health and Social Care Board HSCB Regional Health and Social Care Board

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts Contract notice Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-027870 Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02dec1 Published 5 November 2021, 4:15pm

# Section I: Contracting authority

## I.1) Name and addresses

Business Services Organisation - Procurement and Logistics Service on behalf of Health and Social Care Board HSCB

Pinewood Villa, Longstone Hospital, Loughgall Road

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BT61 7PR

Contact

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Email

PaLSSocialcare.Sourcing@hscni.net

Country

United Kingdom

## NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

Buyer's address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

## I.1) Name and addresses

Regional Health and Social Care Board

12-22 Linenhall Street

Belfast

BT2 8BS

Email

PaLSSocialcare.Sourcing@hscni.net

Country

United Kingdom

#### NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

## Internet address(es)

Main address

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Buyer's address

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## I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves 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://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

## 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

Independent Information, Advice and Advocacy Service to Support Independent Living [3854319]

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85000000 - Health and social work services

## II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

## II.1.4) Short description

The service to be procured includes - providing independent Information, Advice, and Advocacy to Service Users and Carers in Northern Ireland regarding managing finance and organising support services in relation to Self Directed Support (SDS) and the Independent Living Fund (ILF). Provide independent Information and Advice to Service Users and Carers to help them understand their role as an employer. Provide independent Information, training and awareness sessions to Health and Social Care Trust (HSCT) staff and students and other relevant networks and organisations engaging with individuals with an interest in Self Directed Support (SDS) and the Independent Living Fund (ILF). Take an active role in the promotion of SDS and policy development related to independent living. Liaise with HSCTs to explore the range of options available to Service Users and Carers in relation to SDS. Facilitate access to a range of accredited insurance and Payroll Services that can be engaged by Service Users and Carers. 'Facilitate access' in this case means to signpost or refer Service Users and Carers to such a Payroll Service on a neutral and non-biased basis.

## II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £3,080,817

## II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

• 85000000 - Health and social work services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKN - Northern Ireland

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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## II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £3,080,817

## II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Duration in months

36

## 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 estimated value in II.2.6) above includes; an initial contract period of 3 years, plus an option to extend for 2 x 12 month periods (2 years). The value also includes a potential increase in services of 40% and the potential additional extension clause provided for in clause 18 of the Specification

# Section IV. Procedure

## **IV.1) Description**

## IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

## IV.2) Administrative information

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

Notice number: 2021/S 000-022354

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

Date

6 December 2021

Local time

3:00pm

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

English

# Section VI. Complementary information

## VI.3) Additional information

Note - the original tender number was 1763485 as per previous Prior Information Notices but this tender number has been changed to 3854319. Note - In Section 1.2 it states the contract involves joint procurement but this is not the case. This is a HSCB contract.

## VI.4) Procedures for review

## VI.4.1) Review body

Business Services Organisation - Procurement and Logistics Service

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom