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Tender

Alcohol & Substance Misuse Testing

Leicestershire County Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

<https://www.eastmidstenders.org/index.html>

Buyer's address

<https://www.eastmidstenders.org/index.html>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=0490ce50-2b69-ef11-812f-005056b64545>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=0490ce50-2b69-ef11-812f-005056b64545>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Alcohol & Substance Misuse Testing

Reference number

DN737528

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85148000 - Medical analysis services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

A testing agency is required to provide drug and alcohol testing for Leicestershire County Council and ESPO staff in safety critical roles, on a planned and 'with cause' basis.

The service involves taking tests from employees, who may be based anywhere in Leicestershire however the agency must be able to provide a nationwide service. The employees are based over numerous sites which are majority all within Leicestershire but testing agencies must be able to travel nationwide at any time (24-hour service) to respond to a need for with-cause testing whilst outside of Leicestershire.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £825,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71620000 - Analysis services
- 85148000 - Medical analysis services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

A testing agency is required to provide Drug and Alcohol Testing Services for Leicestershire County Council and ESPO (Eastern Shires Purchasing Organisation) staff in safety critical roles, on a planned and 'with cause' basis.

An estimated 600 tests per annum may be required however exact numbers cannot be forecasted.

The contract shall be 12 months with extension options up to 48 months. The total contract term shall not exceed 60 months.

The service involves taking tests from employees, who may be based anywhere in Leicestershire however the agency must be able to provide a nationwide service. The employees are based over numerous sites which are majority all within Leicestershire but testing agencies must be able to travel nationwide at any time (24-hour service) to respond to a need for with-cause testing whilst outside of Leicestershire. Drivers could be travelling anywhere within the U.K at the time of requirement. For example, in an on-road incident has occurred.

With cause testing is time sensitive and must be conducted within 2 hours of call out.

With Cause Testing is carried out at the roadside or on site depending on circumstances. Random testing is saliva testing but, with-cause / assurance testing is a urine test. Alcohol testing involves the use of an electronic breath-testing device.

All the sites that require planned testing except 1 are Leicestershire based. A testing programme will be provided. Random site visits per site could be between 3-6 per annum with a maximum of 6 visits per site. Planned testing (non - urgent) will be with notice with all sites and addresses provided.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70%

Price - Weighting: 30%

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

Start date

1 December 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

4 x 12 month extension options.

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

Date

4 October 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

London

Country

United Kingdom