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# Access to Medicine 'Aspiring Professionals' programme

Health Education England

F01: Prior information notice

Call for competition

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-028037

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-037353

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

### I.1) Name and addresses

Health Education England

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Leeds

LS1 4PL

#### Contact

Jessica Nerlich

#### **Email**

jessica.nerlich@hee.nhs.uk

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.hee.nhs.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.hee.nhs.uk

## I.3) Communication

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

https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome

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

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

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## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

## I.5) Main activity

Education

## **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Access to Medicine 'Aspiring Professionals' programme

Reference number

C104652

#### 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 England are putting out this notice as a PIN (Prior Information Notice) with a view to completing a Direct Award to Social Mobility Foundation

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £242,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

Health Education England are putting out this notice as a PIN (Prior Information Notice) with a view to completing a Direct Award to Social Mobility Foundation

The case for direct award can be found on the tender portal.

HEE is seeking a provider to run the Access to Medicine programme for the 22/23 cohort.

HEE believes it is highly unlikely for any other supplier to be up and running from 1 Oct 2022 to provide the following skills provided by the current supplier which include:

- Comprehensive experience of running Access to Medicine programmes (both face to face and virtual) and evidence of consistent student success rates
- Proven ability to adapt and maintain quality programme support in the face of pandemic restrictions
- Ability to engage with and support students across England with strong representation outside London and in underserved areas
- Extensive volunteer network enabling one to one mentor support from a volunteer medical professional for all A2M students alongside additional volunteer support for reviewing applications and pre-interview preparation
- Extensive relationships with a range of medical schools, hospitals and clinical settings able to offer work experience to A2M students
- Breadth of programme including information and support with applications to medical school, professional skills workshops, work experience and a mentor
- Strong safeguarding culture including developed policies and processes, DBS checks for staff and volunteers, training for staff and volunteers, and nominated safeguarding officer and senior manager
- Expertise in designing and delivering effective A2M support for a student cohort drawn from very low socio-economic backgrounds

#### https://health-family-contract-search.secure.force.com/?SearchType=Projects

All communications should be made via the messaging function on the Health Family eTendering portal.

If any provider has concerns with the commissioning intentions outlined within the published documentation, please raise this via the eTendering Portal in the first instance within 30 days of the date of this Prior Information Notice.

The financial envelope for this PIN is £242,000 exclusive of VAT The closing date of this PIN is midday on 7th November 2022

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

#### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £242,000

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

Duration in months

12

#### 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

Restricted 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 expressions of interest

Date

7 November 2022

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.5) Scheduled date for start of award procedures

1 December 2022

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1)	Review	body
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The High Court

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Email

generaloffice@administrativecourtoffice.justice.gov.uk

Country

**United Kingdom** 

Internet address

https://www.gov.uk/courts-tribunals

### VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

The High Court

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

**United Kingdom** 

Internet address

https://www.gov.uk/courts-tribunals

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Blenheim House

Blenheim House, Duncombe Street

Leeds

LS1 4PL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

https://www.lpp.nhs.uk/