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Tender

Agency Workers - Non-medical (3059470)

Procurement and Logistics Service
Belfast Health and Social Care Trust
Business Services Organisation
Children's Court Guardian Agency for Northern Ireland
DOH - Strategic Planning and Performance Group
NI Ambulance Service Trust
NI Blood Transfusion Service
NI Fire and Rescue Services
NI Medical and Dental Training Agency
NI Patient Client Council
NI Practice and Education Council for Nursing and Midwifery
NI Public Health Agency
NI Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority
NI Social Care Council
Northern Health and Social Care Trust
Procurement and Logistics Service
South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust
Southern Health and Social Care Trust
Western Health and Social Care Trust

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Procurement and Logistics Service

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United Kingdom

Region code

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I.1) Name and addresses

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I.1) Name and addresses

Business Services Organisation

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I.1) Name and addresses

Children's Court Guardian Agency for Northern Ireland

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I.1) Name and addresses

DOH - Strategic Planning and Performance Group

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I.1) Name and addresses

NI Ambulance Service Trust

Knockbracken Healthcare Park, Saintfield Road

Belfast

BT8 8SG

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

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I.1) Name and addresses

NI Blood Transfusion Service

Lisburn Road

Belfast

BT9 7TS

Email

boucher.sourcing@hscni.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

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I.1) Name and addresses

NI Fire and Rescue Services

1 Seymour Street

Lisburn

BT27 4SX

Email

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I.1) Name and addresses

NI Medical and Dental Training Agency

Beechill House, 42 Beechill Rd

Belfast

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I.1) Name and addresses

NI Patient Client Council

1st Floor, Ormeau Baths 18 Ormeau Avenue

Belfast

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I.1) Name and addresses

NI Practice and Education Council for Nursing and Midwifery

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I.1) Name and addresses

NI Public Health Agency

Linenhall Street Unit, 12-22 Linenhall Street

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Country

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I.1) Name and addresses

NI Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority

9th Floor Riverside Tower, 5 Lanyon Place

Belfast

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I.1) Name and addresses

NI Social Care Council

Millennium House, 19-25 Great Victoria St

Belfast

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I.1) Name and addresses

Northern Health and Social Care Trust

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Antrim

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I.1) Name and addresses

South Eastern Health and Social Care Trust

Ulster Hospital, Upper Newtownards Rd

Belfast

BT16 1RH

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Country

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I.1) Name and addresses

Southern Health and Social Care Trust

Craigavon Area Hospital, 68 Lurgan Road

Portadown

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United Kingdom

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I.1) Name and addresses

Western Health and Social Care Trust

Altnagelvin Area Hospital, Glenshane Road

Londonderry

BT47 6SB

Email

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

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>

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

Agency Workers - Non-medical (3059470)

Reference number

3059470

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79000000 - Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Supply of non-medical Agency Workers (Excluding Nurses and Healthcare Support Workers) to Health and Social Care Trusts and other Healthcare organisations in Northern Ireland.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £420,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for maximum number of lots
6

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Allied Health Professionals

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79600000 - Recruitment services
- 79620000 - Supply services of personnel including temporary staff

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom
- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supply of non-medical Agency Workers (Excluding Nurses and Healthcare Support Workers) to Health and Social Care Trusts and other Healthcare organisations in Northern Ireland.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £40,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Options for further extension periods; a) period or periods together totalling no more than 24 months as described in clause 2.2 of the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services and, or b) for a further period or periods totalling no more than 18 months in the circumstances described in clause 2.3 of the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services.

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 value in II.2.6 is the upper limit in the range £30,000,000 - £40,000,000 and accounts for the potential spend on Lot 1 over the initial 2-year period plus a potential 2-year extension to the Framework. Should the option for an additional 18 months extension be used, as per

clause 2.3 in the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services Contracts, the range will be a potential spend of £40,000,000 - £54,000,000. None of the figures above represent a guarantee of uptake or minimum demand.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Social Workers and Social Care Support Workers

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79600000 - Recruitment services
- 79620000 - Supply services of personnel including temporary staff

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom
- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supply of non-medical Agency Workers (Excluding Nurses and Healthcare Support Workers) to Health and Social Care Trusts and other Healthcare organisations in Northern Ireland.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £70,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Options for further extension periods; a) period or periods together totalling no more than 24 months as described in clause 2.2 of the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services and, or b) for a further period or periods totalling no more than 18 months in the circumstances described in clause 2.3 of the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services.

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 value in II.2.6 is the upper limit in the range £55,000,000 - £70,000,000 and accounts for the potential spend on Lot 2 over the initial 2-year period plus a potential 2-year extension to the Framework. Should the option for an additional 18 months extension be used, as per clause 2.3 in the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services Contracts, the range will be a potential spend of £75,000,000 - £100,000,000. None of the figures above represent a guarantee of uptake or minimum demand.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Professional and Technical

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79600000 - Recruitment services
- 79620000 - Supply services of personnel including temporary staff

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom
- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supply of non-medical Agency Workers (Excluding Nurses and Healthcare Support Workers) to Health and Social Care Trusts and other Healthcare organisations in Northern Ireland.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £40,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Options for further extension periods; a) period or periods together totalling no more than 24 months as described in clause 2.2 of the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services and, or b) for a further period or periods totalling no more than 18 months in the circumstances described in clause 2.3 of the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services.

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 value in II.2.6 is the upper limit in the range £30,000,000 - £40,000,000 and accounts for the potential spend on Lot 3 over the initial 2-year period plus a potential 2-year extension to the Framework. Should the option for an additional 18 months extension be used, as per clause 2.3 in the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services Contracts, the range will be a potential spend of £40,000,000 - £54,000,000. None of the figures above represent a guarantee of uptake or minimum demand.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Specialist

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79600000 - Recruitment services
- 79620000 - Supply services of personnel including temporary staff

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom
- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supply of non-medical Agency Workers (Excluding Nurses and Healthcare Support Workers) to Health and Social Care Trusts and other Healthcare organisations in Northern Ireland.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £23,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Options for further extension periods; a) period or periods together totalling no more than 24 months as described in clause 2.2 of the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services and, or b) for a further period or periods totalling no more than 18 months in the circumstances described in clause 2.3 of the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services.

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 value in II.2.6 is the upper limit in the range £17,000,000 - £23,000,000 and accounts for the potential spend on Lot 4 over the initial 2-year period plus a potential 2-year extension to the Framework. Should the option for an additional 18 months extension be used, as per clause 2.3 in the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services Contracts, the range will be a potential spend of £23,000,000 - £31,000,000. None of the figures above represent a guarantee of uptake or minimum demand.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

General Admin and Clerical

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79600000 - Recruitment services
- 79620000 - Supply services of personnel including temporary staff

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom
- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supply of non-medical Agency Workers (Excluding Nurses and Healthcare Support Workers) to Health and Social Care Trusts and other Healthcare organisations in Northern Ireland.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £135,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Options for further extension periods; a) period or periods together totalling no more than

24 months as described in clause 2.2 of the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services and, or b) for a further period or periods totalling no more than 18 months in the circumstances described in clause 2.3 of the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services.

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 value in II.2.6 is the upper limit in the range £100,000,000 - £135,000,000 and accounts for the potential spend on Lot 5 over the initial 2-year period plus a potential 2-year extension to the Framework. Should the option for an additional 18 months extension be used, as per clause 2.3 in the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services Contracts, the range will be a potential spend of £135,000,000 - £185,000,000. None of the figures above represent a guarantee of uptake or minimum demand.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Support Services

Lot No

6

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79600000 - Recruitment services
- 79620000 - Supply services of personnel including temporary staff

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom
- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supply of non-medical Agency Workers (Excluding Nurses and Healthcare Support Workers) to Health and Social Care Trusts and other Healthcare organisations in Northern Ireland.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £112,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Options for further extension periods; a) period or periods together totalling no more than 24 months as described in clause 2.2 of the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services and, or b) for a further period or periods totalling no more than 18 months in the circumstances described in clause 2.3 of the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services.

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 value in II.2.6 is the upper limit in the range £85,000,000 - £112,000,000 and accounts for the potential spend on Lot 6 over the initial 2-year period plus a potential 2-year extension to the Framework. Should the option for an additional 18 months extension be used, as per clause 2.3 in the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services Contracts, the range will be a potential spend of £110,000,000 - £150,000,000. None of the figures above represent a guarantee of uptake or minimum demand.

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

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 90

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: [2021/S 000-025183](#)

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

Date

8 November 2023

Local time

3:00pm

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

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

9 November 2023

Local time

3:30pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.3) Additional information

This Procurement exercise is being conducted within the context of the Department of Health for Northern Ireland Minister's statement from October 2022, as per the following link - <https://www.healthni.gov.uk/sites/default/files/publications/health/doh-131022-wms.pdf>. In section 1.2, it is stated that this procurement is a joint procedure and contract award is by a Central Purchasing Body. This contract is not a joint contract, it is a Central Purchasing Body Contract operated by BSO PaLS on behalf of the participants listed in section 1.1. The value in II.1.5 is the upper limit in the range £312,000,000 - £420,000,000 and accounts for the potential spend across all 6 Lots over the initial 2-year period plus a potential 2-year extension to the Framework. Should the option for an additional 18 months extension be used, as per clause 2.3 in the SS17ac Commercial Conditions of Contract for Services Contracts, the range will be a potential spend of £430,000,000 - £582,000,000. None of the figures above represent a guarantee of uptake or minimum demand.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Procurement and Logistics Service

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom