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## **External Assessment Group Framework**

National Institute For Health And Care Excellence

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

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

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United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKD - North West (England)

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.nice.org.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/2d4ee73e-795b-4ea2-9c58-cd2e6b7e919f>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**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**

External Assessment Group Framework

Reference number

NICE EAG24

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

### **II.1.4) Short description**

NICE is seeking to commission external assessment groups (EAGs) which will provide a range of health technology assessment (HTA) services to support its technology evaluation programmes and related activities.

Suppliers must be able to provide all services within any Lot to bid for that Lot.

NICE will consider proposals from consortia or networks of organisations meeting the selection criteria and encourages potential suppliers to explore collaborations that will result in the offer of a comprehensive range of services.

NICE is inviting interested suppliers to attend a supplier early engagement day on Tuesday 1 October, 9.30am - 12:30pm, held virtually via Microsoft Teams. An opportunity for suppliers to have individual commercial in confidence meetings with NICE to discuss the questions raised by NICE on the supplier day will be available in the week following the supplier day.

To register for attendance at the supplier day please email the following contact with the information stated below no later than 10am on Monday 30th September:

Irene Walker

Procurement Manager

[irene.walker@nice.org.uk](mailto:irene.walker@nice.org.uk)

Please provide:

Your name

Your Job Title

Your company name

Your email address

Your contact telephone number

Please also state if you would like to book a commercial in confidence meeting with NICE. Dates and times TBC.

NICE will send an invitation to the meeting which will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams on Monday 30th September between 12 noon and 5pm.

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

Value excluding VAT: £2,100,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 3

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Clinical and Economic Evidence Assessment

Lot No

1

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

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

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

Including: critical appraisal of clinical and economic evidence to support the development of NICE outputs; evidence synthesis; de novo economic modelling and critiquing and revising existing models; updating information and evidence on technologies to support guidance review; preparation of evidence summaries on new and novel technologies; systematic review and meta-analysis; market intelligence analysis; supporting identification, topic selection and scoping of HealthTech products; confirmation and review of regulatory status to the evaluation programmes.

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

A draft specification for Lot 1 can be downloaded from

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## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Technical and Decision Support

Lot No

2

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

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

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

Including: providing advanced methodological and analytical advice and support to NICE's technical teams and committees on all guideline and technology types that are in remit for NICE, including Centre for Health Technology Evaluation (CHTE) outputs (pharmaceuticals, diagnostics, medical device and digital technologies, combination products etc.) and Centre for Guidelines topics covering public health, social and clinical areas. This includes providing evidence synthesis, data analytics, complex decision analytical modelling and health economic support; providing a technical rapid response service and quality assurance input for guidance products; development and provision of guidance methods training, covering evidence synthesis, data analytics, decision analytical modelling and health economics; provision of a research governance and ethics support function.

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

A Draft specification for Lot 2 can be downloaded from

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## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Evidence Generation to support Access

Lot No

3

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

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

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

Including: Evidence generation using existing registers or databases, feasibility studies, data protocol development, pilot studies; data collection and active surveillance; data linkage and complex modelling and/or analyses; register set up and close

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

A draft specification for Lot 3 can be downloaded from

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## **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

24 October 2024

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

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