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Future opportunity

Delivery of AHP Workforce Reform Priorities - Podiatry

Health Education England

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Health Education England

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Leeds

LS1 4PL

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKI31 - Camden and City of London

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.hee.nhs.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://www.hee.nhs.uk>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from 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

<http://health.atamis.co.uk>

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

Delivery of AHP Workforce Reform Priorities - Podiatry

Reference number

C55070

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 (HEE - the Commissioner) are putting out this notice as a PIN (Prior Information Notice) with a view to completing a Direct Award. Please note the contracting authority intends to direct award the contract to The Royal College of Podiatry (RCOP). The case for direct award can be found on the tender portal.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £230,000

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

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- Work with the National AHP programme, HEE Education Funding Reform Programme, the profession and wider stakeholders to build the Uni and Multi professional AHP Narrative to illustrate the knowledge, skills, and attributes of the 21st Century professional.
- Undertake a wide-ranging consultation with members, non-members, and wider stakeholders as to the knowledge, skills, and attributes of the 21st century professional and seeing this embedded across all relevant agendas, including the pre-registration curricula, where this work has been undertaken already to support the prioritised implementation of this work.
- Undertake a range of professional body driven activities focused in the NHS and social care to optimise workforce supply and workforce retention

HEE considers that it is highly unlikely for any other supplier to be able to provide the expertise provided by the RCOP as a current supplier for the following reasons:

- As the foremost professional body for the podiatry profession, representing the majority of registered and NHS podiatrists, the RCOP is in a unique position to access necessary expertise, engage with stakeholders and deliver the required work in a way which will meet quality expectations and command the confidence of sector stakeholders.
- The RCOP has a track record of constructive engagement with activities to develop the profession including an active role in developing education and practice for the podiatry and podiatry support workforce and engagement with public bodies including NHS England, Public Health England and HEE.
- As a professional body with a large membership, the RCOP has access to the data, intelligence, contacts and networks essential to successfully delivering the required work which could not be readily accessed by other suppliers.

The financial envelope for the contract is £230,000.00. For the Specification, Contract and the Case for Direct Award please access the portal at: <https://health-family-contract-search.secure.force.com/?SearchType=Projects>. Please access the portal for all documents. 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 closing date of this PIN is midday on Friday, 31st December 2021

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 December 2021

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: Yes