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Planning

DHSC: ASC: Adult Social Care Workforce Programme 2026

DHSC, London

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Scope

Reference

C361780

Description

Purpose This market engagement event will provide an opportunity for prospective bidders to learn more about the background to the proposed procurement and the process of responding to Invitations to Tender (ITTs). The event will also provide you with an opportunity to ask the department any key questions you may have about the procurement, as well as meet other interested organisations bidding for aspects of the procurement. Dates for upcoming market engagement events: London • 23rd June 2025 • 10:30-12:30 • 39 Victoria Street, Westminster, London, SW1H 0EU Leeds • 25th June 2025 • 10:30-12:30 • Quarry House, 3 Marsh Lane, Leeds, LS2 7PA RSVP Please email sam.shad@DHSC.gov.uk by latest Tuesday 17th June at 15:00pm to confirm attendance at either event. Please include:

• Your full name • Your work email (for confirmation of attendance) • Your organisation • Your job title • Any accessibility requirements or reasonable adjustments Due to restrictions on numbers, please RSVP at your earliest convenience to ensure your place. We may have to decline if we reach capacity. Please only send one individual per organisation, per event. In your RSVP, please specify which event you wish to attend (if you wish to attend both, please state so in your response). Organisations are permitted and encouraged to attend both the London and Leeds events. Should further places become available, we will email out to offer additional spaces. For those who are unable to attend, but wish to view the presentation, please confirm in writing and we will circulate the presentation. Once the tender goes live, all premarket engagement documentation including presentations and responses to clarification questions will be uploaded to the supplier document folder on the e-portal for suppliers to access at any time. The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) are seeking to secure the provision of a comprehensive Adult Social Care (ASC) workforce support programme. The work in this procurement aligns with our overall strategy to attract and retain a sufficient and skilled workforce to provide the right care for the evolving needs of the population.

Total value (estimated)

- £72,309,774 excluding VAT
- £85,818,101 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 January 2026 to 31 March 2029
- Possible extension to 31 March 2031
- 5 years, 3 months

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85321000 - Administrative social services
- 75122000 - Administrative healthcare services
- 80561000 - Health training services
- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 75120000 - Administrative services of agencies
- 75130000 - Supporting services for the government
- 72300000 - Data services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Engagement

Engagement deadline

20 June 2025

Engagement process description

The Department for Health and Social Care wish to invite interest suppliers to an in person Market Engagement Event. This market engagement event will provide an opportunity for prospective bidders to learn more about the background to the procurement and the process of responding to Invitations to Tender (ITTs). The event will also provide you with an opportunity to ask the department any key questions you may have about the procurement, as well as meet other interested organisations bidding for aspects of the procurement. There will be 2 events with in person attendance only, Please see below key dates, location and times for the events. London - 23rd June 2025 10:30-12:30 39 Victoria Street, Westminster, London, SW1H 0EU Leeds - 25th June 2025 10:30-12:30 Quarry House, 3 Marsh Lane, Leeds, LS2 7PA Suppliers are welcome to attend one or both events. Due to restrictions in numbers, only one person from each organisation is permitted to attend. For further information about the background of the procurement and instructions to attend the engagement event can be found within the Info pack attached to this notice. Please email Sam.Shad@dhsc.gov.uk no later than 17th June at 3pm to confirm your attendance. Please include the following: Your full name Your work email (for confirmation) Your organisation Your job title Any accessibility requirements or reasonable adjustments. Please see the attached document for further information. We look forward to welcoming you to the engagement event.

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

25 July 2025

Contracting authority

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