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## **DHSC:GH: Health Behaviour in School-aged Children (HBSC) Survey 2025**

DHSC, London

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

C353972

### **Description**

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## **Contract 1. DHSC:GH: Health Behaviour in School-aged Children (HBSC) Survey 2025**

### **Suppliers**

Supplier not yet selected

### **Contract value**

- £1,236,000 excluding VAT
- £1,483,200 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Earliest date the contract will be signed**

30 July 2025

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 August 2025 to 30 June 2028
- 2 years, 11 months

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 73110000 - Research services

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## **Other information**

### **Description of risks to contract performance**

There are no risks

### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Direct award

## **Direct award justification**

Single supplier - intellectual property or exclusive rights

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## **Contracting authority**

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