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Contract

Functional Skills Initial Assessments, Diagnostic Assessments and Exams

NHS England

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-031528

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-043b4a

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS England

7-8 Wellington Place

Leeds

LS1 4AP

Contact

Workforce Commercial Team

Email

england.workforcecommercialteam@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

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

Functional Skills Initial Assessments, Diagnostic Assessments and Exams

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS England ran a multi-lot tender for the provision of Functional Skills Initial Assessments, Diagnostic Assessments and Exams.

Lot 1 - Functional Skills Initial Assessment and Diagnostic Assessment was awarded to Advanced Business Software and Solutions Ltd. This agreement runs from 3/9/24 to 31/3/27 with a maximum value of £154,771.05.

Lot 2 - Functional Skills Exams was awarded to Open Awards. This agreement runs from 25/06/24 - 31/3/27 with a maximum value of £85,000.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £239,771.05

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Above Threshold, 2 lot Open Procedure.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

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Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

3 September 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Open Awards

17 De Havilland Drive, Estuary Commerce Park, Speke

Liverpool

L24 8RN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

5462874

Internet address

www.openawards.org.uk

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £239,771.05

Lowest offer: £239,771.05 / Highest offer: £239,771.05 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.judiciary.uk/courts-and-tribunals/high-court/>

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

The High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

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