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# Continuation of support services for the Clinical Communications Gateway System from National Services Scotland

Business Services Organisation ITS

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# Section I: Contracting authority/entity

# I.1) Name and addresses

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## Country

**United Kingdom** 

## **Region code**

UKN06 - Belfast

# Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

# Internet address(es)

Main address

www.hscbusiness.hscni.net

# 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

Continuation of support services for the Clinical Communications Gateway System from National Services Scotland

Reference number

STA10850

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

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CCG is the regionally agreed referral mechanism between Primary, Secondary and Community Care services.

# 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: £300,000

# II.2) Description

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

• 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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Every day over 2500 referrals are made from Primary Care to Secondary or Community care. The CCG system has brought significant benefits to the referral process in recent years. It helps ensure the secure and timely delivery of accurate patient referral details so improving the service to patients. The HSCB has mandated the use of CCG for all referrals from GPs to all Secondary and Community Care services.

The CCG system was designed and developed by the NHS in Scotland- National Services Scotland (NSS).

Ownership and technical knowledge of the system rests only with NSS. The software is also used in Scotland and Wales and NSS undertake all services to ensure commonality across the user base.

# II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

# **Section IV. Procedure**

# IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

#### **Explanation:**

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

## Section V. Award of contract/concession

#### **Contract No**

STA10850

#### **Title**

Continuation of support services for the Clinical Communications Gateway System from National Services Scotland

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

# V.2) Award of contract/concession

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

8 November 2022

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

# V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

National Services Scotland

Edinburgh

Country

**United Kingdom** 

NUTS code

• UKM - Scotland

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £300,000

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.4) Procedures for review

# VI.4.1) Review body

**Business Services Organisation** 

Belfast

Country

**United Kingdom**