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Contract

## **Academic research: Review of children & adolescent gender identity services**

NHS England

F20: Modification notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-032508

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-029499

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

NHS England

Quarry House, Quarry Hill

Leeds

LS2 7UE

#### **Contact**

Commercial Contract Management Team

#### **Email**

[england.commercialqueries@nhs.net](mailto:england.commercialqueries@nhs.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Academic research: Review of children & adolescent gender identity services

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85100000 - Health services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:**

NHS England and Improvement recently announced an independent review into children and adolescent gender identity development services (for under 17s) which is commissioned by NHS England's specialised commissioning directorate - (ToR of review

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This review requires extensive, expert led research and engagement in order to successfully make recommendations to inform the future shape of gender identity development services for children and young people.

A key principle of the review is that it must be participative, evidence based and incorporate lived experience in order to formulate conclusions and recommendations that will command the confidence of stakeholders.

The research streams outlined in this specification have been designed to achieve these ends. Specifically, the outputs required are to achieve the best available collation of published evidence, and qualitative and quantitative research that can feasibly be produced within the timeframe of the review.

Recognising that the published evidence is unlikely to be of high enough quality to form the sole basis for the recommendations of the review, a process is needed for synthesising the published evidence and research outputs of the academic team(s) with stakeholder submissions and expert opinion. This will involve a consensus development approach, using Delphi or other appropriate tools, and we would anticipate that the research team(s) would be integral to this important stage of the review.

The review will report to NHS England's Commissioning Committee and a project assurance group, Chaired by Dr Cass has been set up to oversee the work. The project assurance group will assist the Chair in ensuring the process and conduct of review is appropriate, fit for purpose and that decisions are transparent. The assurance group does not contain subject matter experts or service users and their role is strictly the governance of the review process, not to inform outcome. The group includes ethics, legal, and research expertise, plus experience in CYP advocacy, and CYP participation.

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession**

Start date

8 September 2021

End date

8 January 2024

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-008342](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

### **Contract No**

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### **Title**

Academic research: Review of children & adolescent gender identity services

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:**

8 September 2021

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

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

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

University of York

Heslington, York

York

YO10 5DD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

RC000679

Internet address

<http://www.york.ac.uk>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)**

Total value of the procurement: £897,512

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## **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**

NHS England

1st Floor, Quarry House, Quarry Hill

Leeds

LS2 7UE

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

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

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## Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

### VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

#### VII.1.1) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

#### VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

#### VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

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**VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession**

Start date

8 September 2021

End date

8 January 2024

**VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£1,227,114

**VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

University of York

Heslington, York

York

YO10 5DD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

RC000679

Internet address

<http://www.york.ac.uk>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

## **VII.2) Information about modifications**

### **VII.2.1) Description of the modifications**

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

Contract variation of value: £329,602

Zero-cost contract extensions from the original contract end date to 08/01/2024

### **VII.2.2) Reasons for modification**

Need for modification brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority/entity could not foresee.

Description of the circumstances which rendered the modification necessary and explanation of the unforeseen nature of these circumstances:

Both the contract variation of £329,602 and contract extensions were due to the Statutory Instrument necessary to undertake part of the work.

### **VII.2.3) Increase in price**

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £897,512

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £1,227,114