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Contract

DHSC Research Delivery Network Coordinating Centre

Department of Health and Social Care

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Department of Health and Social Care

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Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

DHSC Research Delivery Network Coordinating Centre

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Contract for NIHR Research Delivery Network Coordinating Centre by running a procurement via Competitive Procedure with Negotiation to award a contract for 5 years

for core, operational and optional services (further explained in detail below in Section II.2.4.1) with an option to extend further for up to 2+2 Years

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: £303,200,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UK1

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC), the Authority awarded a Contract to a single Supplier to provide services for the National Institute for Health and Care Research (NIHR) Research Delivery Network Coordinating Centre (RDNCC). The contract was awarded following a successful Competitive Procedure with Negotiation. The Supplier will replace or continue services currently provided by the NIHR Clinical Research Network Coordinating Centre (CRNCC).

A brief description of the Core, Operational, and Optional services required from the potential service provider is as follows:

- Operational Services – overheads including office space, facilities, equipment, ICT, and Human Resources services for all Supplier Personnel
- Core Services – include the Study Support Service, Performance management of studies, Information and Communications Technology systems, Financial management and assurance, Governance, Clinical Specialties, Workforce learning and organisational development, Business development and marketing, Business intelligence, Communications, Patient and public involvement and engagement
- Optional Services – the Authority may require the Supplier to deliver under this contract specific projects or additional services for which the need is unpredictable at the start of the contract. Any additional optional services will need to be agreed with the supplier and subject to approval (including assessment of affordability and value for money) by DHSC. The contract is for a period of 5 years with the option to for a further 2+2 years (subject to

approval).

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Contract Amendment / Weighting: 10%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10%

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60%

Price - Weighting: 20%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Price was not the only award criterion and all criteria were stated in the procurement documents

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

Competitive procedure with negotiation

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

20 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

Woodhouse Lane

Leeds

LS2 9JT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £303,200,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £134,099,999

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.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

The High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

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United Kingdom

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