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Tender

## **Course to upskill the NHS workforce in Genomics and Counselling skills**

NHS England

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

NHS England

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Leeds

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#### **Contact**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

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**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Course to upskill the NHS workforce in Genomics and Counselling skills

Reference number

C223652

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services

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

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The National Genomics Education (NGE) team has a focus on providing genomic education and resources for the specialist and non-specialist clinical and non-clinical workforce. Mainstreaming genomics involves routine integration of genomic tests into clinical care, carried out by front-line clinical workforce rather than solely by clinical genetic departments. Many do not currently have the basic subject knowledge, understanding and confidence that would enable them to integrate genomics into their service. A Genomics and Counselling skills course, which can be delivered online supported by tutors and peer-group through synchronous and asynchronous learning, will assist in enabling these professionals, who are frequently the first contact for patients and their families, to understand genomics and its application in healthcare.

A university provider is currently contracted with NGE to develop and deliver a Genomics and Counselling skills course which initially began for Nurses and Midwives, however, the students in the final cohort are from a range of professions who require fundamental knowledge. This year (cohort 4) we had over double the number of applicants to places and continually receive requests for details of future cohorts which cannot be provided as this contract will end in Feb 2024.

A contract will be put in place with an organisation to deliver an online course to provide the opportunity for healthcare workers to learn the fundamentals of genomics as applied to rare diseases, cancer, and infectious disease, and an introduction to genetic counselling skills in the context of the new Genomic Medicine Service. The contract would be in place across 5 years.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £298,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 80561000 - Health training services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

open procedure - services

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £298,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

12 + 12 months subject to review

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

**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

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## **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: No

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

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

7 December 2023

Local time

12:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

7 December 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **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

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Leeds

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