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To perform an MRN conversion as part of the development and implementation of integration with EHCR

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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North Tower

BELFAST

BT1 3BG

Email

encompass.contracts@hscni.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKN06 - Belfast

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://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

To perform an MRN conversion as part of the development and implementation of integration with EHCR

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72250000 - System and support services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

HSC Business Services Organisation intends to enter into an agreement to perform an MRN conversion as part of the development and implementation of integration between the Varian Cancer Management System (ARIA) and the Electronic Health Care Record.

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: £10,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48100000 - Industry specific software package
- 48422000 - Software package suites
- 48517000 - IT software package
- 48800000 - Information systems and servers
- 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

Requirement to perform an MRN conversion as part of the development and implementation of integration required between the Varian Cancer Management System (ARIA) and the Electronic Health and Care Record. Cancer-related appointment scheduling generated in either system is necessary to display in both systems for usability. Additional patient flagging and treatment summary information generated in Varian Aria is also necessary to have in EHCR, so that EHCR has a way of noting which patients are receiving cancer treatment and can direct carers to pertinent treatment details without needing to do manual documentation and updates in multiple systems.

Items included within this are:

- Provision of an extract of patient data which will identify all Radiation Oncology patients who do not have an HCN
- Running the ID re-configuration in Test on the T-Box - this may require several iterations (the T-Box will need to be refreshed with a copy of Production prior to each test)
- Running the ID re-configuration in Production (this will require the Production system to be backed up)
- Implementing the ID re-configuration will need to be performed out of hours

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:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

Varian is the single supplier of this software and they provide support of the main system and their bespoke interface engine. This system is highly specialised for the purpose of cancer treatment delivery and is in use to support cancer services in all five trusts in Northern Ireland.

Only the supplier of the Varian system has the technical expertise to carry out this integration of their own product with the EHCR being implemented in HSCNI. It is not possible to procure this interface development via a framework route.

Alternative options are not appropriate in this instance as Varian is already contracted and deployed across Northern Ireland. Varian is the only cancer treatment management system in use for this purpose regionally and therefore this DAC is being justified for technical reasons under Regulation 32(2)(b) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 as only the supplier of the Varian system has the rights and ability to create the interface with EHCR.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

DAC10875

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

21 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

Varian Medical Systems UK Ltd

Crawley

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ - South East (England)

Companies House

00558526

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £10,000

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £10,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Business Services Organisation

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom