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Contract

DHSC: Statistical Advisor to Medicine Margin Survey

Department of Health & Social Care

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-034988

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04e669

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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United Kingdom

Region code

UKI32 - Westminster

Internet address(es)

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.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: Statistical Advisor to Medicine Margin Survey

Reference number

C329379

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79330000 - Statistical services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The medicine margin survey is a key component of this process by working to ensure that the correct level of funding is delivered to community pharmacies. Based on the results of the quarterly survey, adjustments are made to the NHS Drug tariff (which sets reimbursement prices for medicines dispensed under prescription) to calibrate delivery of future medicine margin and recoup any previous over- or under-delivery.

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: £116,800

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79410000 - Business and management consultancy services
- 79330000 - Statistical services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI32 - Westminster

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This procurement was conducted to award for an independent statistical advisor to support the DHSC to deliver its commitment to ensure and monitor delivery of agreed community pharmacy funding is delivered.

The advertised contract value was £125,000 exclusive of VAT and the anticipated contract start date was 31/04/2025. The contract was awarded for 2 years with options and an expiry date of 1/06/2027.

Deadline for submitting tenders was 24/03/2025 and the route to market was an Open Procedure under PCR 2015.

There were no challenges during the standstill period and One contract for the value of £46,720 was successfully awarded.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 20

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Award a 2 year contract with an option to renew for a further 1 to 2 years.

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

Open procedure

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

2 June 2025

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 from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

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

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Southampton
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United Kingdom

NUTS code

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Internet address

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

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: £116,800

Total value of the contract/lot: £116,800

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

The High Court

The Strand

London

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United Kingdom

Internet address

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

The High Court

The Strand

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