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Tender

Supply of material for INR External Quality Assessment provision

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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UK - United Kingdom

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Main address

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Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221

I.3) Communication

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

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/home.html>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/home.html>

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

Supply of material for INR External Quality Assessment provision

Reference number

CAV-ITT-PROJECT_55043

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 33141520 - Plasma extracts

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The product specification will detail the material required to be supplied from this external source for quality assurance testing

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £306,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

Main site or place of performance

WEQAS National External Quality Assessment Scheme

Unit 6 Parc Ty Glas, Llanishen, Cardiff CF14 5DU

UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (UHB) operating as Weqas seeks to establish a contract for the supply of material for INR EQA provision.

Weqas is a National External Quality Assessment Scheme which monitors the analytical performance of diagnostic laboratories in the UK, Ireland and overseas. It is a non-profit making organisation within the NHS, a division of Cardiff and Vale UHB.

Weqas is registered with United Kingdom Accreditation Services (UKAS) for conformity assessment. Weqas External Quality Assessment services are accredited in accordance with the recognised International Standard – General requirements for proficiency testing (ISO/IEC 17043:2010).

A number of programmes require material supplied by an external source for use as EQA material. This will be distributed to all participants within the EQA programme.

The product specification will detail the material required to be supplied from this external source for quality assurance testing.

Ideally liquid stable 'ready to use' material is needed for distribution as INR EQA material, which is compatible with Roche CoaguChek, Siemens Xprecia and Abbott i-STAT as a minimum. Lyophilised material may also be considered but is not the material of choice.

Please note that the UHB reserves the right not to award this contract

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

12 Month Extension

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

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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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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

Date

8 January 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English, Welsh

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

Tender must be valid until: 1 April 2024

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

8 January 2024

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

Please note additional information on this procurement:

1. The Contracting Authority reserves the right to award the contract in whole, in part or annul the tendering process and not award any contract.
2. Bidders should note that they will be required to enter into terms and conditions of contract as set out in the ITT and that save for matters of clarification or consistency the Contracting Authority will not negotiate the terms.
3. The Contracting Authority will not accept completed ITT's after the stated closing date.
4. All documents to be priced (where applicable) in sterling and all payments made in sterling.
5. All tender costs and liabilities incurred by bidders shall be the sole responsibility of the bidders.
6. Prospective suppliers should note that NHS Shared Services Partnership - Procurement Services is acting on behalf of Cardiff and Vale University Health Board

NOTE: The authority is using eTenderwales to carry out this procurement process. To obtain further information record your interest on Sell2Wales at https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search_switch.aspx?ID=136954

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

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Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership on behalf of Cardiff and Vale University Health Board will allow a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period between notifying the award decision and awarding the contract.

Unsuccessful tenderers and applicants are entitled to receive reasons for the decision, including the characteristics and relative advantages of the winning bid and the reasons why the tenderer/applicant was unsuccessful.

Should additional information be required it should be requested of the addressee in section I.1.

Aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by breach of the procurement rules have the right to take action in the High Court (England and Wales). Any such action is subject to strict time limits in accordance with the Public Contracts (Amendments) Regulations 2015.