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Tender

Doctor Support Service

General Medical Council (GMC)

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-037174

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-042694

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

General Medical Council (GMC)

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.gmc-uk.org>

Buyer's address

https://www.mytenders.co.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA19541

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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

www.mytenders.co.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.mytenders.co.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Medical Regulator

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Doctor Support Service

Reference number

GMC1697

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85140000 - Miscellaneous health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The requirement is for the provision of The Doctor Support Service ('the Service') – an independent, peer-to-peer emotional support service for doctors who:

- are subject to GMC fitness to practise procedures,
- have been referred to a Medical Practitioners Tribunal (MPT) hearing or
- have been notified that the GMC may withdraw their licence to practise.

We expect between 100 to 150 doctors to take up the Service per annum. The majority will be doctors seeking support during a GMC investigation of their fitness to practise. Approximately 850 such investigations were opened in 2022; roughly 30% resulted in referral to the Medical Practitioners Tribunal Service (MPTS) for adjudication at a hearing. Approximately 10% of the doctors contacting the Service will be subject to potential withdrawal of their licence.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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

Option to extend for 12 months plus a further 12 months.

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

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

1 February 2024

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

1 February 2024

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

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[[https://www.mytenders.co.uk/ESPD/ESPD_Download.aspx?id=231010]]

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit>