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Planning

Family Group Conferencing Market Work

Department for Education

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Family Group Conferencing Market Work

Reference number

Proj_9565

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Department for Education is seeking early market engagement on training provision and capacity for facilitators of family group decision making (FGDM) meetings. A widely used model of this is Family Group Conferencing (FGC).

We are developing policy which seeks to legislate to mandate local authorities to offer FGDM meetings to all families at the pre-proceedings stage (i.e. families with cases on the edge of care). This will support the Department's objectives of keeping children safe and helping families thrive, with the support of family networks.

The Department plans to run a market engagement process over the next two months, to give potential suppliers insight into the future development of this policy.

As part of this process, we are interested in gathering insight from suppliers and organisations of all sizes in the following areas:

Providers of training for staff involved in FGDM meetings (including but not limited to the specific FGC model).

We will use a number of different routes to gather feedback and insight, including questionnaires and in-depth sessions.

A Pre Market Engagement event will be held on Thursday 12 December 2024, 14.00-15.00, which will provide further information on the structure of the market

engagement process, the information the Department would like to gather and the opportunities suppliers will have to offer feedback and insight.

For suppliers interested in attending this initial on line Pre Market Engagement event, please indicate your interest via the email address available here by midday 11th December. A MS teams invite will be forwarded to you prior to the online event.

Subject: Family Group Decision Making Pre Market Engagement Event

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II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 80500000 - Training services
- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

30 April 2025

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes