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Tender

HH250-25-HB Independent Advocacy Service for individuals who are engaged with NHS Highland Drug and Alcohol Recovery Service (DARS)

NHS Highland

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05842d

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM6 - Highlands and Islands

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.nhshighland.scot.nhs.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00302

I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

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

HH250-25-HB Independent Advocacy Service for individuals who are engaged with NHS Highland Drug and Alcohol Recovery Service (DARS)

Reference number

HH250-25-HB

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 75300000 - Compulsory social security services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Highland Alcohol and Drugs Partnership (HADP) is conducting an open procurement exercise in line with NHS Scotland procurement guidelines, to commission an Independent Advocacy Service for individuals who are engaged with NHS Highland Drug and Alcohol Recovery Service (DARS) including individuals resident within HMP Inverness.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £600,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85320000 - Social services
- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85300000 - Social work and related services

- 85323000 - Community health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM6 - Highlands and Islands

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £6,000,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Duration in months

48

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.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation

List and brief description of rules and criteria

As stipulated in the ESPD, completion of this document is mandatory for all bidders.

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

As Included in the Specification of Requirement document.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.10) Identification of the national rules applicable to the procedure

Information about national procedures is available at:

<https://www.gov.scot/publications/scottish-procurement-policy-handbook/>

IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

8 September 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

Section VI. Complementary information

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

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=806894.

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https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx.

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Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:

<https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

A scored Community Benefits question has been incorporated into the Method Statement Questionnaire, with detailed guidance for bidders provided in a separate attached document.

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Download the ESPD document here:

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/ESPD/ESPD_Download.aspx?id=806894

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Inverness Justice Centre

Inverness

IV1 1AH

Country

United Kingdom