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Award

Transcription and Recording Services

General Pharmaceutical Council

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Scope

Reference

GPhC134

Description

The GPhC are procuring the provision of Transcription and Recording services. This Contract is to be awarded to 1 Tenderer(s)/Service Provider(s); and scope of services include:

o Audio Recording

1. Supply of Loggers -throughout the United Kingdom- to attend and record in-person 'Fitness to Practise' hearings.
2. Provision and storage of high-quality audio recordings, enabling the production of verbatim transcriptions using current technologies.
3. Application of appropriate, effective and consistent audio recording(s) labelling/indexing practices.

o Transcription

1. Provision of verbatim 'Fitness to Practise' hearing transcripts.
2. Secure email provision of complete transcripts on 'standard' request - within 10 working days.
3. Secure email provision of complete transcripts on 'urgent' request - within 5 working days.
4. Secure email provision of complete transcripts on 'expedited' request - within 3 working days.

o Data Security and Information Governance

1. Compliance with the Data Protection Act 2018 and General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), including registration with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO).
2. ISO 15489 and BS 10012 accreditations, or appropriate Records Management policies and procedures in place, which are compliant with ISO 15489 and BS 10012 standards.
3. ISO 27001 accreditation, or appropriate Information Security policies and procedures in place, which are compliant with ISO 27001 standards.
4. Data processed within the United Kingdom, or another Country/Territory recognised by the United Kingdom Government as having equivalent levels of Data Protection.
5. Application of appropriate and effective measures/processes/procedures/systems to ensure all Agents, including but not limited to Loggers, Transcriptionists and Transcribers:
 - i. respect confidentiality of Hearings.
 - ii. provide secure and safe production, storage and transport of transcripts and recordings.

o Communication

1. Application of an efficient and intuitive booking and cancellation system.
2. Application of an efficient invoicing system.

o Account Management and Management Information (MI)

1. Provision of accurate management information/reports on demand, for but not limited to:

i. usage.

ii. expenditure.

Contract 1. Transcription and Recording Services

Supplier

- MARTEN WALSH CHERER LIMITED

Contract value

- £220,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

22 August 2025

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

22 August 2025

Standstill period

- End: 3 September 2025

- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

3 October 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 12 October 2025 to 11 October 2027
- Possible extension to 11 October 2028
- 3 years

Description of possible extension:

The duration of this Contract is 3 years; comprising a 2-year fixed term, with an option to extend for 1 period(s) beyond this, of up to 12 months each.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 32342450 - Voice recorders
- 32353000 - Sound recordings
- 72317000 - Data storage services
- 72318000 - Data transmission services
- 75231100 - Law-courts-related administrative services

- 79996100 - Records management

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Information about tenders

- 5 tenders received
- 5 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 5 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 4 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Supplier

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Region: UKI31 - Camden and City of London

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Contracting authority

General Pharmaceutical Council

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government