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Tender

## **Invitation to Tender for the Provision of a Public and Patient Panel and Associated Services**

General Dental Council

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

GDC-2024-034

### **Description**

The GDC is the United Kingdom's (UK) statutory regulator of over 120,000 members of the dental team, including approximately 44,567 dentists and 76,520 dental care professionals (DCPs) - dental nurses, clinical dental technicians, dental hygienists, dental technicians, dental therapists and orthodontic therapists. This successful supplier Working the GDC is expected to ensure we can use a public and patient panel to involve and engage public and patients in a range of research, operational and policy work in a range of co-productive activities, including research, policy and process/systems development work and improvement projects.

The overarching aims for the panel are to:

- Provide access to a group or groups of patients and the public, some of whose knowledge and understanding of the GDC and dental regulation develops over time;

- Ensure we reflect and harness the input of public and patients in as much of our work as is possible; and
- Provide a flexible, responsive and cost-effective method for the GDC to engage patient and public in our work.
- Ensure the GDC can hear and reflect diversity of public voice and needs across the activities called down from the panels.

There are two distinct elements to the panel requirements, element 1 and element 2, and requirements for each element are:

#### Element 1: Recruiting and Maintaining a GDC Public and Patient Panel

The successful bidder/s must be able to recruit, develop and maintain a GDC public and patient panel that can be called upon to participate in a range of activities. We expect this to be a fixed price element of bidder responses.

#### Element 2: Undertaking Panel Activities

When the GDC wishes to use the public and patient panel for activities, the GDC will request a fixed price quotation based on a detailed activity specification - request for quotation (RFQ). The RFQ will include all the typical relevant information to be able to price the activity to meet the specific requirements identified by the GDC.

As well as providing participants for each activity, if delivering the activity, bidder/s will need to manage the end-to-end activity which needs to include, but is not limited to:

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<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-London:-Health-and-safety-consultancy-services./786RK53NV8>

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#### **Total value (estimated)**

- £300,000 excluding VAT

- £360,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 15 December 2025 to 15 December 2027
- Possible extension to 15 December 2029
- 4 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

Extensions can be taken annually for up to maximum 2 years. i.e. 12month + 12 months

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 71317210 - Health and safety consultancy services
- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services
- 73210000 - Research consultancy services
- 79315000 - Social research services

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## **Participation**

## **Particular suitability**

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

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## **Submission**

### **Enquiry deadline**

30 September 2025, 12:00pm

### **Submission type**

Tenders

### **Deadline for requests to participate**

24 October 2025, 12:00pm

### **Submission address and any special instructions**

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/delta/buyers/select/viewListStatus.html?id=980684016>

### **Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

### **Languages that may be used for submission**

English

### **Award decision date (estimated)**

15 December 2025

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### **Award criteria**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
Criterion 2	Quality	70%
Criterion 1	Price	30%

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### **Other information**

#### **Applicable trade agreements**

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

#### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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### **Procedure**

#### **Procedure type**

## Competitive flexible procedure

### **Competitive flexible procedure description**

Two stage process will be used. Stage 1 will involve the use of the PSQ to identify suppliers with the capability to deliver the service . The successful bids from stage 1 will then have their full tender evaluated at the stage 2.

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## **Documents**

### **Associated tender documents**

[Access Code and Link for ITT docs.docx](#)

To access the ITT documents follow the link and access code in the document.

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## **Contracting authority**

### **General Dental Council**

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