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Planning

## **DHSC : Global & Public Health: National SRbPA Support Scheme**

Department of Health & Social Care

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

W213158

### **Description**

DHSC are seeking to test the market, and are intending to use this market engagement to engage further with potential providers to understand capabilities. At a minimum, we expect that supplier's will be able to:

Provide tailored expert 1:1 support to high potential candidates in completing the specialist registration by portfolio assessment (SRbPA) route by providing feedback on the pre-application and portfolio commentaries, including fulfilling UKPHR's mandatory knowledge and 'show-hows'?

The prospective contract is proposed to have an initial term of three years, with a total value of £145,000. Following the completion of this initial period, DHSC retains the right to further extend the contract for a subsequent two-year period. Any decision to exercise this

further extension would be contingent upon securing additional governance approvals and confirmation of the necessary budget. The approximate value of this extension period is £97,000.

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

- £145,000 excluding VAT
- £175,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

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

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2029
- Possible extension to 31 March 2031
- 5 years

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 80510000 - Specialist training services
  - 80320000 - Medical education services
  - 80561000 - Health training services
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## Engagement

### Engagement deadline

23 January 2026

### Engagement process description

The Preliminary Market Engagement (PME) is optional. The purpose is to advise suppliers of the forthcoming Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) procurement exercise that is expected to be launched February 2026. The aim is to seek feedback from potential bidders and existing providers that may inform the final approach to the procurement.

The Preliminary Market Engagement Event will be held via Microsoft Teams between 10:00 - 12:00 on Tuesday 13th January 2026.

We will then be seeking feedback via a Q&A doc which will be issued following the live PME.

If you are interested in this opportunity please email [ccsinbox@dhsc.gov.uk](mailto:ccsinbox@dhsc.gov.uk) referencing 'W213158 National SRbPA Support Scheme' as the subject title.

If your organisation is unable to attend the PME event, we would nevertheless welcome any feedback which you may wish to provide. Please be assured that non-attendance at the event does not affect your eligibility to participate in future procurement opportunities related to this PME. Your input is valued and you remain eligible to bid for subsequent procurements associated with this engagement.

For the avoidance of doubt, this is not a call for competition and DHSC are under no obligation to proceed with any formal procurement procedure. The market engagement exercise is being used as an opportunity to gather feedback to better understand market capabilities, refine the procurement strategy, and encourage supplier engagement.

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## Participation

## **Particular suitability**

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

### **Publication date of tender notice (estimated)**

23 February 2026

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## **Procedure**

### **Special regime**

Light touch

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Department of Health & Social Care**

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government