

United Kingdom-London: Research consultancy services
OJ S 230/2020 25/11/2020
Contract notice
Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: NEL Commissioning Support Unit
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Town: London
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Main address: www.nelcsu.nhs.uk
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I.3. Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=610c723d-312b-eb11-8105-005056b64545>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=610c723d-312b-eb11-8105-005056b64545>

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

National or federal agency/office

I.5. Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

PRJ965 — Systematic Review Services — NEL
Reference number: DN511043

II.1.2. Main CPV code

73210000 Research consultancy services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

Procurement for the provision of systematic reviews of healthcare interventions to support decision-making on commissioning policies that may direct resources for treatment according to thresholds or clinical criteria.

The purpose of the contract is to provide ten systematic reviews of healthcare evidence per year, with meta-analysis of pooled effect size where appropriate. Each review supports decision-making on a clinical commissioning policy for an area in England, and may incorporate findings on safety, effectiveness, cost-effectiveness or the impact on quality of life of a defined health condition. For example, based on evidence from a systematic review, the Authority defined a commissioning policy that biological mesh for hernia repair would be funded based on specific types of hernia and specific risk factors. This policy was adopted by healthcare commissioners.

The length of the contract is 2 years with the option of an extension for a third year at the sole discretion of the authority.

The maximum value of the contract is GBP 67 333.33 per year, or GBP 201 999.99 over 3 years.

The start date of the contract is 1 April 2021.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 202 000,00 GBP

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2. Description

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

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Any expenditure, work or effort undertaken prior to contract award is accordingly a matter solely for the commercial judgment of potential service providers. In such circumstances, and in any event, NEL shall not be liable for any costs or loss of expenses whatsoever incurred by the respondent and company, agent, subsidiary or organisation may have contributed to any response submitted to this notice.

Interested bidders must access the ITT documentation via the link provided and submit a ITT response via the online questionnaires on the e-Tendering portal 'ProContract' before the submission deadline stipulated. See the procurement documentation (ITT Document 1 - Guidance Document) for more details.

All completed bids must be submitted by 12.00 (noon) on 21 December 2020 (any changes to tender submission timelines will be communicated to interested providers via the tender portal). The ITT reference for this tender is PRJ965.

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II.2.5. Award criteria

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Delivery approach / Weighting: 10 %

Quality criterion - Name: Schedule / Weighting: 15 %

Quality criterion - Name: Resources / Weighting: 40 %

Quality criterion - Name: Standards / Weighting: 10 %

Quality criterion - Name: Integration / Weighting: 10 %

Price - Weighting: 15 %

II.2.6. Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 202 000,00 GBP

II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start: 01/04/2021 End: 31/03/2023

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

The length of the contract is 2 years with the option of an extension for a third year at the sole discretion of the authority.

II.2.10. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.13. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:
no

II.2.14. Additional information

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

IV.2. Administrative information

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

Date: 21/12/2020 Local time: 12:00

IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**IV.2.4. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 21/12/2020 Local time: 12:30

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: yes

VI.3. Additional information**VI.4. Procedures for review****VI.4.1. Review body**

Official name: The High Court

Postal address: Royal Court of Justice, The Strand

Town: London

Postal code: WC2A 2LL

Country: United Kingdom

VI.4.3. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

The authority will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. This period allows unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the decision to award a contract before a contract is executed/signed (as appropriate). The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ('Regulations') provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any such action must be brought promptly and within the time limits as defined in the above regulations.

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

20/11/2020