NOTICE OF PROPOSED PROCUREMENT (NPP)

Department: Statistics Canada (Statcan)

This requirement is for: The review, following collection, of vision tests (retinal scans) performed by the Canadian Health Measures Survey (CHMS).

Tendering procedures: All interested suppliers may submit a bid.

Nature of Requirement:

The Health Statistics Division of Statistics Canada (Statcan) will begin collecting the fifth cycle of the Canadian Health Measures Survey (CHMS) with 5700 Canadians in January 2016. As part of the survey, respondents aged 6-79 years will be asked to have their vision tested. The vision component will consist of up to four different tests depending on the respondent's age, and will be administered at the CHMS Mobile Examination Centre (MEC). The tests include: a visual acuity test (administered to respondents ages 6-19, 20-39 with type 1 or type 2 diabetes and 40-79), a frequency doubling visual field test, intraocular pressure test and retinal photography (administered to all respondents ages 40-79 and respondents 20-39 with type 1 or type 2 diabetes). The physical measures data collected for the visual field test and retinal photography must be reviewed following collection in order to ensure that they meet Statcan guidelines for quality and to interpret valid test results.

Statistics Canada intends to award one (1) contract for a period from Contract award to 31 March 2020.

The Mandatory Criteria are:

MTC#	Mandatory Technical Criteria (MTC)	Proposal Page Number	Pass/Fail
MTC1	Technician The bidder must demonstrate that each proposed resource is trained or certified to grade retina and Optic Disk images.		
	At a minimum the Bidder must provide the following information, for each proposed resource, in order to demonstrate the experience submitted in response to the criterion.		
	 A diploma certifying that the resource is an Ophthalmologist; and, A certificate of registration with the college of physicians or A diploma indicating that the resource has a Bachelors degree of Science; and, A certificate certifying that the resource has been trained and certified in Retina and Optic Disk grading by an Ophthalmologist who is qualified to provide training to grade Retina and Optic Disk images. 		

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MTC2	Technician The bidder must demonstrate that each proposed resource has been trained to grade FTD results by a senior FDT technician. At a minimum the Bidder must provide the following information, for each proposed resource, in order to demonstrate the experience submitted in response to the criterion. The name of the trainer, as well as the name and current business e-mail address and/or business telephone number for the Employee's delegated representative who would be able to confirm the information provided by the	
	Bidder.	
MTC3	Adjudicator The bidder must demonstrate the proposed resource is qualified to grade retina and Optic Disk. At a minimum the Bidder must provide the following information, for each proposed resource, in order to	
	demonstrate the experience submitted in response to the criterion.	
	 A diploma certifying that the resource is an Ophthalmologist; A certificate of registration with the college of physicians; and, An article that has been published in a peer reviewed journal. The resource must be a primary or secondary investigator with grading of at least 400 retinal images from a population-based epidemiological study. 	
MTC4	Trainer The bidder must demonstrate that the Ophthalmologist who provided the retinal image review certification to the technicians is qualified to provide training to grade Retina and Optic Disk images.	
	At a minimum the Bidder must provide the following information, in order to demonstrate the experience submitted in response to the criterion.	
	 A diploma certifying that the resource is an Ophthalmologist; A certificate of registration with the college of physicians; and, An article that has been published in a peer 	
TI	reviewed journal. The resource must be a primary or secondary investigator with grading of at least 400 retinal images from a population-based epidemiological study.	
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Expected Start Date: November, 2015

Competitive Procurement Strategy: Lowest priced bid that meeting mandatory evaluation criteria.

For evaluation purposes, the summation of the firm per diem rate of the technicians, and the Adjudicator, multiplied by the estimated level of effort each, will determine the total evaluated price.

Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement: This procurement is not subject to a Comprehensive Land Claims Agreement.

Security Requirements: This contract does not include security requirements.

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NOTE TO BIDDERS:

Bidders can obtain the complete statement of work and evaluation criteria by ordering the solicitation document and associated documents from Buyandsell.gc.ca/tenders.

Documents may be submitted in either official language of Canada (English or French).

Given the nature of the requirements, proposals submitted by such means as facsimile or electronic mail will not be accepted.

After contract award, bidders may request a debriefing on the results of the bid solicitation process. Bidders should make the request to the Contracting Authority within fifteen (15) working days of receipt of the results of the bid solicitation process. The debriefing may be in writing, by telephone or in person.