Aftercare Psychological Services Ottawa Area Parole Offices.

This requirement is for: The Correctional Service of Canada, Ottawa Area Parole Offices

Trade agreement: This procurement is not subject to any trade agreement.

Tendering procedures: All interested suppliers may submit a bid.

Competitive Procurement Strategy: Lowest priced compliant bid.

Set-aside under the Procurement Strategy for Indigenous Business: This procurement is not subject to any set-asides for Indigenous Suppliers.

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

Security Requirements: This contract includes security requirements.

Nature of Requirements:

The following is a summary of the statement of work for this requirement.

Correctional Service of Canada (CSC), in the Ontario Region has a requirement to provide Aftercare Psychology Services for the Ottawa Area Parole Offices.

This requirement is divided into two Streams, A and B. Bidders may submit a bid for one or more than one Stream.

CSC may award up to two contracts, one for each stream, or any combination thereof.

Bidders submitting a bid for more than one stream must provide a sufficient number of resources to be able to satisfy the requirements for the Streams for which they are submitting a bid.

Objectives: Provide essential and non-essential mental health and/or psychological assessment or psychological risk assessment services to offenders, as requested by the Project Authority, as a psychologist at the Contractor's business location in the Ottawa area in the Ontario Region or other CSC -approved locations when needed, including Personal Health Information Protection Act (PHIPA) approved video conferencing devices with prior approval by the Project Authority.

Deliverables: To provide psychological assessment and/or treatment services as a Registered Psychologist in Ontario for a maximum of 175 hours per stream (A and B)/per year. Treatment and counselling orientation utilized by Correctional Service Canada (CSC) is cognitive-behavioural. All psychological treatments offered to offenders by the contractor must be evidence-based with known application to offender populations. The principal focus of treatment will depend on the nature of the referral and the offender's needs. Although the usual objectives of treatment include the reduction of risk to reoffend, a priority should also be placed on the amelioration of the offender's mental health and emotional or behavioural functioning, including feelings, attitudes, beliefs and behaviours that moderately to severely impact or interfere with daily functioning. The offender's motivation for the index offence should be addressed in this context. The Contractor must take into account gender, cultural, religious and linguistic differences and be responsive to the special needs of women and Indigenous People.

The Contractor must provide all services in compliance with federal and provincial legislation and standards, provincial and national guidelines, practice standards and CSC Policy/Guidelines including the CSC Mental Health Policy and Integrated Mental Health Guidelines.

The Contractor must provide services in accordance with the ethical and professional practice standards of the applicable provincial regulatory body, the Canadian Code of Ethics for Psychologists and relevant legislation guiding the practice of Psychology within correctional settings.

The Contractor must consult with the Project Authority to ensure that all psychological practices are consistent with the relevant and most current legislation, practice standards and policies.

On a yearly basis or as determined by the Project Authority, the Project Authority or designate will review a sample of reports to determine if they meet CSC and professional standards for psychological reports. If a report is judged to be substandard, the Contractor must amend the report as requested at no extra cost to the Crown. The amendment must be completed, and the amended report submitted to the Project Authority within one (1) week following the date when the amendment was requested.

Timeliness of the submission of all reports will be monitored on an ongoing basis by the Project Authority. Timeliness will form part of the assessment of the Contractor's work.

Any conditions for participation of suppliers not specified in solicitation documentation: none.

Estimated quantity of commodity: see solicitation document statement of work and basis of payment

Duration of Contract and Time Frame for Delivery:

Period of the Contract: The Work is to be performed during the period of **01-November-2023** to **31-October-2024** with the option to renew for **two (2)** additional **one-year** periods, for both streams.

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NOTE TO BIDDERS: Bidders can obtain the complete statement of work and evaluation criteria by downloading the solicitation document and associated documents from the <u>Canada buys / tender opportunities</u> website.

The Crown reserves the right to negotiate with suppliers on any procurement.

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

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.

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