

PUBLIC INTEREST CERTIFICATE

This public interest certificate is issued under section 22(1) of the *Government Procurement (Judicial Review) Act 2018* (Cth) (the **Act**).

I am a delegate of the Accountable Authority of the Department Veterans' Affairs for the purposes of the Act.

I hereby state that it is not in the public interest for the following procurement by the Department of Veterans' Affairs to be suspended while complaints under section 18 of the Act are being investigated or while applications for injunctions under Part 2 of the Act are being considered.

AusTender ID	PRN2023-741
Tender Close Date and Time	2pm (ACT local time) on [Monday, 5 February] 2024
Procuring Entity	Department of Veterans' Affairs
Contact Officer	Email: procurement@dva.gov.au
Category (UNSPSC)	9314000 – Community and social services
Description	Procurement to establish a panel of Outreach Program Counsellors for the Open Arms Program. The procurement will be a single stage, open approach to market that has been published on AusTender (www.tenders.gov.au)

Signature of delegate of accountable authority:

Signature: 

Name: Andrew Kefford PSM

Position: Deputy Secretary Policy & Programs

Date: 24 November 2023