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Planning

Enhanced Mental Health Pathfinder (EMHP) - Market Engagement Event and Networking Opportunity

NHS England

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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<https://www.england.nhs.uk>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Enhanced Mental Health Pathfinder (EMHP) - Market Engagement Event and Networking Opportunity

Reference number

PRJ2061

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS England London Region (hereafter referred to as "The Authority") invites interested, suitably qualified and experienced providers to attend a Market Engagement Event in advance of publication of Enhanced Mental Health Pathfinder (EMHP) Services across London.

Bidders will be asked to provide feedback after the event. The Authority will also publish feedback and Q&A after event.

NHS England - London Health and Justice Team are seeking to procure an alliance of delivery partners for a pan-London Enhanced Mental Health Pathfinder service for victims and survivors of sexual abuse or assault with complex trauma related mental health needs.

The main service outcome will be to increase access, reduce fragmentation and work collaboratively across sectors to address the identified barriers within the pathways, and between statutory and voluntary sector service providers.

The EMHP will be a partnership or alliance of service providers working together to deliver the service specification including clinical support, training and development and creating a network of partners.

Key objectives of Pathfinders are to:

- o create and improve pathways and partnership working approaches to the benefit of individuals with complex trauma related mental health needs associated with sexual assault and abuse;
- o improve access to professionals trained in identification of, and appropriate response to, complex trauma related mental health needs associated with sexual assault and abuse;
- o for individuals with complex trauma related mental health needs the primary aim is to reduce complex trauma related symptoms and improve quality of life (improve individual wellbeing, reduce mental health symptomology, minimise harm and re-traumatisation, improve functioning (including social and occupational) and support healing and recovery);
- o encourage establishment of trauma-informed systems that have impact beyond this service;
- o build evidence base for the value of new approaches.

Core principles of pathfinders for adult victims and survivors of sexual assault and abuse with complex trauma related mental health needs:

1. Reduce fragmentation in services and increase access to professionals competent and confident in identifying and responding to the needs of adult victims and survivors;
2. Every interaction matters. Promotion of trauma-informed and strengths-based approaches that acknowledge the need for personalisation, collaboration, and choice;
3. Focus on collaboration and co-production.

Market Engagement:

To assist the Commissioners with testing its assumptions and proposed service requirements, a market engagement event will take place to explore the market's feedback on the following areas:

- Outline of service requirements and key outcomes;
- Timescales for procurement and mobilisation of the new contract;
- Proposed contract duration and financial model;
- Networking opportunity with providers.

The Authority plans to hold an interactive engagement event on Wednesday 19 February

2025 from 10:30 - 14:00 at Wellington House, Lower Ground, 133 - 155 Waterloo Road, London, SE1 8UG.

Number of attendees: Maximum of 2 people per organisation.

Registration closes at 12:00pm (Noon) on 10 February 2025.

IMPORTANT: Please note the market engagement event registration form can be found at the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/Wu85G29E55>

Please complete the Market Engagement Event Registration Form by no later than 12:00pm (Noon) on 10 February 2025 if you are interested to attend the event.

Important note: Due to room capacity, we may need to close registration early should we be at capacity. Therefore, we advise you to register at your earliest opportunity.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £5,085,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85100000 - Health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

As stated in the short description.

II.2.14) Additional information

The indicative maximum financial envelope for this procurement will be £1,017,000 per annum.

The contract will have an initial term of 3 years, with the possibility of extending the term up to a further 2 years beyond the initial contracted duration. This will be subject to satisfactory performance and by mutual agreement between the Commissioners and Providers, but the intention is for this service and the partnership that supports it to be part of longer-term transformation work.

The service specification, HNA and other supporting documents will be shared in advance of the MEE.

Organisation or agency biographies submitted in the Registration Form will be shared in a directory of services to aid provider networking.

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

7 April 2025