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Contract

## **Contract for Clinical Dental Technician Services in HM Prisons**

Kent Community Health N H S Foundation Trust

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04d08e

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Kent Community Health N H S Foundation Trust

110-120 Eureka Park, Upper Pemberton, Kennington

ASHFORD

TN254AZ

#### **Contact**

Sarah Woodcock

#### **Email**

[sarah.woodcock2@nhs.net](mailto:sarah.woodcock2@nhs.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKJ4 - Kent

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Contract for Clinical Dental Technician Services in HM Prisons

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85130000 - Dental practice and related services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

Provision of an efficient and effective Clinical Dental Technician Service to His Majesty's Prisons (HMP) environments on behalf of Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust (KCHFT) Dental Services.

**II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

**II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £30,000

**II.2) Description**

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKJ - South East (England)

**II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

To provide an efficient and effective service that will ensure the delivery of high quality clinical dental technician services to patients in His Majesty's prisons (HMP).

Contract to be awarded to existing supplier under PSR Direct Award C Process. 1 year contract.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: the existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard / Weighting: 100%

Cost criterion - Name: The existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard / Weighting: 100%

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 do not apply to this award. The publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by 27 January 2025. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR. Representations should be made via email to [sarah.woodcock2@nhs.net](mailto:sarah.woodcock2@nhs.net)

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

15 January 2025

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Kent Dentures Ltd

Broadstairs

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ - South East (England)

Companies House

08882105

The contractor is an SME

Yes

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £30,000

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

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Award decision makers are: Director of Dental & Planned Care Services & Operational Lead Dental Services.

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There were no conflicts of interest.

The rationale behind the relative importance of the key criteria that Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust used to make the decision:

Quality & Innovation (patient satisfaction)

KCHFT are unique to employ the services of a CDT to carry out denture work for prison patients. Patients receive their appliances in a timely manner and much quicker than could be achieved by a visiting dentist. The current service was co-designed with the provider. Service improvement is a routine discussion at contract review meetings.

Patient satisfaction scores are consistently high at 99.3% across CDS services with no complaints relating to the CDT service.

Integration, collaboration and service sustainability:-

The current CDT service is integrated within the CDS service and has proved to work in collaboration with clinicians and managers when managing prison patients requiring denture work.

The CDT also completes their own lab work negating the necessity of additional drivers to collect and return lab work which in turn reduces our carbon footprint.

Improving access, reducing health inequalities and facilitating choice:-

Providing a service for HM prison patients. The CDT service offers a wider choice of appointment times for HMP visits which improves access and choice. Denture work is completed in a timely manner which reduces health inequalities for prison patients.

Value:-

This is an activity based contract and value for money is key. Utilising a CDT is more cost effective than a DO providing this service. It also allows DO's to focus on other clinical treatment, keeping the waiting times to a manageable level which keeps the reference costs for the CDS down.

Social Value:-

Providing value for money by reaching a vulnerable cohort of patients and providing dental prosthetics in a timely manner. This further allows time for DO's to attend to other routine and urgent treatments required by patients.

## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust

Ashford

Country

United Kingdom