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Tender

Termination of Pregnancy Services (TOPS) for NHS MSE ICB

NHS Mid and South Essex ICB

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKH3 - Essex

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Main address

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I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://attain.bravosolution.co.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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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

Termination of Pregnancy Services (TOPS) for NHS MSE ICB

Reference number

ACE-0652-2022-MSE

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board (NHS MSE ICB) (the Authority) invites suitably qualified providers to tender for this Termination of Pregnancy Services (TOPs).

The Contract will be for a term of 60 months (5 years) with the possibility of extending the term for a period of 24 additional months (2 years) beyond the initial contracted duration by agreement between the Authority and the Bidder. The proposed service commencement date is 01st June 2023 – 31st May 2028.

The annual value of the contract is based upon activity spend 2021/22 of £2,373,441.50 Sterling. The aggregate value of the contract (including extensions) as advertised in the FTS notice is £16,614,090.50 Sterling. The aggregate value of the contract (excluding extensions) is £11,867,207.50 Sterling.

All tender documentation is free and available via the e-procurement portal at <https://attain.bravosolution.co.uk/> under the ITT Code: itt_119 - Termination of Pregnancy Services (TOPS) for NHS MSE ICB

All interested providers must submit a compliant bid submission in accordance with the Process Overview document by the ITT response deadline 17/02/23 at 17:30hrs.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £16,614,090.50

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

- UKH3 - Essex

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TOPS will operate a Tariff as outlined in the Document 7 - Commercial Offer Template. The contract shall be paid upon provision of service and there is no guarantee of activity. The Authority has entered expectant activity levels in the '2023/24 estimated activity column' of the Commercial Offer Template, however, it should be stipulated that this is not guaranteed activity for the contract duration.

The key objectives of the service are:

- To offer high quality, impartial support and advice to all women/children who request a termination of pregnancy, regardless of age, ethnicity, language, disability, sexual orientation, religious or personal circumstances.
- To provide women/children with access to a termination of pregnancy as early as possible.
- To provide termination of pregnancy methods clinically appropriate for a women/children's gestation and clinical circumstances.

- To improve the sexual health of women/children through providing sexual health screening and treatment as appropriate for sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and HIV.
- To provide information and advice on all methods of contraception, and the supply of reversible contraceptive methods locally available.

Other key considerations:

The NCA is not available to publish, however the total spend equates to 2021/22 = £11,661.41 and 2022/23 (up to December 22) = £36,434.53.

Annual adjustments for inflation/efficiency will be made to the tariffs each year in line with the contract terms. Demographic growth will be applied to the activity plan as detailed in the Commercial Offer Template. The procurement will utilise a cost and volume model. Growth will be driven and applied based on actual activity year on year. The Authority intends to award this contract to a single successful bidder.

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Please Note: Any expenditure, work or effort undertaken by potential Bidders prior to any subsequent procurement is a matter solely for their own commercial judgement. The commissioners reserve the right to withdraw from the process at any time or to not tender the service or to tender on a different basis. In such circumstances, and in any event, the commissioners and / or their advisors shall not be liable for any costs or loss of expenses whatsoever incurred by any organisation, agent or subsidiary that may have contributed to any proposals submitted to this notice.

In accordance with Regulations 56 to 58 of The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended The Public Procurement (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020) and as set out in the qualification envelope which is available with the procurement documents.

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £16,614,090.50

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

1 June 2023

End date

31 May 2028

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Authority retains the option to extend for a further 24 months (from the 01st June 2028 - 31st May 2030).

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

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Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

Accelerated procedure

Justification:

This is a voluntary notice for best practice purposes to confirm that an accelerated process being adopted by the commissioning Authority in line with Regulation 27(5) as the receipt of requests to participate in this procurement that is shorter than the minimum specified in regulation 28(2) due to a state of urgency duly substantiated by the contracting authority renders impracticable the time limit laid down in paragraph (2). The Authority shall in accordance with Regulation 27(5) ensure that the time limit for the receipt of tenders in response to this contract notice being published shall be not less than 15 days.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

17 February 2023

Local time

5:30pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

17 February 2023

Local time

5:30pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom