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Contract

Enhanced Health in Care Homes

NHS Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04b3f6

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board

Charter House Parkway

Welwyn Garden City

AL8 6JL

Contact

Craig Stephens

Email

craig.stephens@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKH23 - Hertfordshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.hertsandwestessex.icb.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.hertsandwestessex.icb.nhs.uk/>

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 Health in Care Homes

Reference number

AG24512

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85121100 - General-practitioner services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board intend to award a contract to Stort Valley Healthcare Ltd for the Provision of Enhanced Health in Care Homes following

a robust Most Suitable Provider Process.

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: £2,466,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH2 - Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Care homes (residential and nursing), as registered by the Care Quality Commission (CQC), supported by East and North Practices, and which are covered under the PCN DES/DES plus.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NHS Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board intend to award a contract to Stort Valley Healthcare Ltd for the Provision of Enhanced Health in Care Homes following a robust Most Suitable Provider Process. This service is Primary Care led, in collaboration with local system partners, and is to deliver an integrated Enhanced Health service in all care homes (residential and nursing), as registered by the Care Quality Commission (CQC), supported by East and North Practices, and which are covered under the PCN DES/DES plus. Inclusive of non-weight bearing and Discharge to Assess beds (DTA) as well as Learning disability adult care homes. Exclusive of short stay respite services, neurological services, and flexi care schemes.

The contract shall commence on 01 April 2025 and end on 31 March 2028.

This contract is a 2 year pilot (Contract value £1,644,000) with an option to extend for a further 1 year (Contract value: £822,000) at the discretion of the commissioner. The lifetime contract value is estimated to be £2,466,000.

This is a new service and has been awarded to a new provider.

The award criteria is the Most Suitable Provider Process Key Selection Criteria.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Most suitable provider process with regard to the key criteria /
Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

This contract is a 2 year pilot with an option to extend for a further 1 year at the discretion of the commissioner.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

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 standstill period begins on the day after the publication of this notice. Representations by providers must be made to decision makers by 05th February 2025. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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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

23 January 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Stort Valley Healthcare Ltd

Ramsay House, 18 Vera Avenue

London

N21 1RA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

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: £2,466,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,466,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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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 standstill period begins on the day after the publication of this notice. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by 05th February 2025. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

Written representations need to be sent via the Atamis e-tendering portal, Project Reference: C317141 - MSP: Enhanced Health in Care Homes (EHCH) for NHS Hertfordshire & West Essex ICB.

The award decision makers are NHS Hertfordshire & West Essex ICB, the Most Suitable Provider process was approved by Primary Care Commissioning Committee of the NHS Hertfordshire & West Essex ICB.

No conflicts of interest were flagged as part of this process.

The Key Criteria are listed below in order of priority;

- (1) Quality & Innovation
- (2) Value*
- (2) Integration, Collaboration and Service Sustainability*
- (3) Improving Access, Reducing Health Inequalities and Facilitating Choice
- (4) Social Value

*Value and Integration, Collaboration and Service Sustainability are of equal importance in this MSP process.

The 5 key criteria were determined by the procurement panel to give appropriate relative importance to each of the sections in line with the commissioning expectations for the service. The key criteria were used to assess the providers suitability accordingly.

Following assessment of the providers against the key criteria above, Stort Valley Healthcare Ltd was deemed to be the most suitable provider for this requirement.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.judiciary.uk/courts-and-tribunals/high-court/>

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

NHS Arden and GEM CSU

St John's House, East Street

Leicester

LE1 6NB

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

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

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

NHS Arden and GEM CSU

St John's House, East Street

Leicester

LE1 6NB

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

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