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Mandatory Dental Services - Rapid Commissioning of Additional Units of Dental Activity on behalf of NHS Surrey Heartlands ICB

NHS Surrey Heartlands Integrated Care Board, on behalf of NHS England

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Surrey Heartlands Integrated Care Board, on behalf of NHS England

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.surreyheartlands.org/nhs-surrey-heartlands-board>

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

Mandatory Dental Services - Rapid Commissioning of Additional Units of Dental Activity on behalf of NHS Surrey Heartlands ICB

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This notice relates to the permitted modification of existing contracts under the Public Contract Regulations (2015), to enable additional access to Mandatory Dental Services (MDS) within Surrey Heartlands ICB on a recurrent basis, in response to recent contract terminations and in accordance with the NHS 2023/24 priorities and operational planning guidance requirement to "Recover dental activity, improving units of dental activity (UDAs) towards pre-pandemic levels".

The Commissioner considers that the modifications are permitted by Regulation 72(1)(c) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, where the need for modification has been brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority could not have foreseen, that the variation of the contracts does not alter the overall nature of the contracts, and that the increase in price of each contract does not exceed the value permitted within Regulation 72(1)(c). The scope of the contract has not been extended as the services provided remain materially the same.

NHS Surrey Heartlands ICB, working with NHS Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West ICB, NHS Frimley ICB, NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight ICB, NHS Kent and Medway ICB and NHS Sussex ICB (collectively the MDS5 Working Group) entered into a rapid commissioning process to secure additional Mandatory Dental Services activity.

This process sought NHS dental providers to deliver increased activity in the form of additional, recurrent Units of Dental Activity (UDAs) as a variation to their existing contract for Mandatory Dental services, in a number of geographic priority areas.

Priority areas were identified from three ICBs, based on additional activity requirements. The priority areas identified in Surrey were 5P1-3 Guildford, and 5P1-4 Reigate and Banstead.

A transparent, fair and proportionate process was carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioners.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £128,077.20

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Guildford

Lot No

5P1-3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NHS Surrey Heartlands ICB, working with NHS Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West ICB, NHS Frimley ICB, NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight ICB, NHS Kent and Medway ICB and NHS Sussex ICB (collectively the MDS5 Working Group) entered into a rapid commissioning process to secure additional Mandatory Dental Services activity.

This process sought NHS dental providers to deliver increased activity in the form of additional, recurrent Units of Dental Activity (UDAs) as a variation to their existing contract for Mandatory Dental services, in a number of geographic priority areas.

Priority areas for the pilot were identified from three ICBs, based on additional activity requirements. The priority areas identified in Surrey were 5P1-3 Guildford, and 5P1-4 Reigate and Banstead.

The contract to which modifications have been applied in 5P1-3 Guildford is:-

Amirreza Farahani - 800 Additional UDAs per annum

These variations are recurrent and additional to the provider's existing General Dental Services contract, which is not time limited.

A transparent, fair and proportionate process was carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioners.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.14) Additional information

The services are healthcare services falling within Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ("the Regulations") which are not subject to the full regime of the Regulations, but are instead governed by the "Light Touch Regime" contained within Chapter 3, Section 7 of the Regulations (Regulations 74 to 77).

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Reigate and Banstead

Lot No

5P1-4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NHS Surrey Heartlands ICB, working with NHS Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West ICB, NHS Frimley ICB, NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight ICB, NHS Kent and Medway ICB and NHS Sussex ICB (collectively the MDS5 Working Group) entered into a rapid commissioning process to secure additional Mandatory Dental Services activity.

This process sought NHS dental providers to deliver increased activity in the form of additional, recurrent Units of Dental Activity (UDAs) as a variation to their existing contract for Mandatory Dental services, in a number of geographic priority areas.

Priority areas for the pilot were identified from three ICBs, based on additional activity requirements. The priority areas identified in Surrey were 5P1-3 Guildford, and 5P1-4 Reigate and Banstead.

The contract to which modifications have been applied in 5P1-4 Reigate and Banstead is:-

Brightsmile Dental Care (Tadworth) - 3,448 Additional UDAs per annum

These variations are recurrent and additional to the provider's existing General Dental Services contract, which is not time limited.

A transparent, fair and proportionate process was carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioners.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.14) Additional information

The services are healthcare services falling within Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ("the Regulations") which are not subject to the full regime of the Regulations, but are instead governed by the "Light Touch Regime" contained within Chapter 3, Section 7 of the Regulations (Regulations 74 to 77).

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:

The Commissioner considers that the modifications are permitted by Regulation 72(1)(c) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, where the need for modification has been brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority could not have foreseen, that the variation of the contracts does not alter the overall nature of the contracts, and that the increase in price of each contract does not exceed the value permitted within Regulation 72(1)(c). The scope of the contract has not been extended as the services provided remain materially the same.

The Services commissioned through this process were healthcare services falling within Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (PCR).

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Lot No

5P1-3

Title

Guildford

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

24 December 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Amirreza Farahani

Woodbridge Hill Dental Practice, 49a Woodbridge Hill

Guildford

GU2 9ZD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £24,120

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Lot No

5P1-4

Title

Reigate and Banstead

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

26 December 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Brightsmile Dental Care (Tadworth)

19 Shelveys Hill

Tadworth

KT20 5PU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £103,957.20

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The services are healthcare services falling within Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ("the Regulations") which are not subject to the full regime of the Regulations, but are instead governed by the "Light Touch Regime" contained within Chapter 3, Section 7 of the Regulations (Regulations 74 to 77).

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court in London

London

Country

United Kingdom