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# **Audiology Service for NHS Isle of Wight CCG**

NHS Isle Of Wight CCG

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Call for competition

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

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Newport

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#### **NUTS** code

### UKJ - SOUTH EAST (ENGLAND)

### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://in-tendhost.co.uk/soepscommissioning/aspx/Home

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## I.3) Communication

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

Audiology Service for NHS Isle of Wight CCG

Reference number

F14445

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85121240 - ENT or audiologist services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

NHS Isle of Wight CCG intend to Direct Award the Audiology Service for 55+ adults to Specsavers Hearcare from the 1st April 2021.

Portsmouth Hospitals University NHS Trust (PHU) is a regional audiology centre that provides a specialist hearing loss service and has identified that there is a significant capacity gap for routine age related hearing loss. The Trust has not been able to maintain the 6-week diagnostic target (First) during the pandemic and the fitting of hearing aids is around 52 weeks+. PHU have given short notice to all CCGs who currently hold a contract with them to inform them that they will not be able to continue with the routine element of the hearing loss service as of 1st April 2021.

Specsavers are the only provider on the island that are currently offering this community service under the Increasing Capacity Framework and previously identified to undertake the backlog. The Isle of Wight CCG in the interest of patient safety with continuity of service, efficiency and need wish to Direct Award to Specsavers Hearcare to provide a new routine adult 55+ routine age related hearing loss service from 1st April 2021 for a period of three years with an option to extend for a further three years.

The contract value below is for the full 6years (3+3 years)

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,800,000

### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

### II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKJ3 - Hampshire and Isle of Wight

Main site or place of performance

Isle of Wight

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Value excluding VAT: £1,800,000

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

**Duration** in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

An option to extend is available for up to 3 years.

## Section IV. Procedure

## **IV.1) Description**

### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Competitive procedure with negotiation

## 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 expressions of interest

Date

19 March 2021

Local time

11:00pm

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

English

### IV.2.5) Scheduled date for start of award procedures

1 April 2021

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.3) Additional information

Further information can be found on the InTend portal:

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## VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NHS South of England Procurement Services

Southampton

Country

**United Kingdom**