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## **Kent & Medway NHS Talking Therapies (formerly known as IAPT)**

NHS Kent and Medway Integrated Care Board

F02: Contract notice

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

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

NHS Kent and Medway Integrated Care Board

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Maidstone

ME15 6NB

#### **Contact**

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#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKJ41 - Medway

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

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

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Kent & Medway NHS Talking Therapies (formerly known as IAPT)

Reference number

C117237

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85100000 - Health services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

NHS Kent and Medway Integrated Care Board are undertaking a procurement process and are inviting suitably qualified and experienced providers to bid for INHS Talking Therapies Services.

The procurement is split into Lots:

Lot 1: East Kent

Lot 2 West Kent

Lot 3 Medway & Swale

Lot4 Dartford, Gravesham & Swanley

The anticipated contract duration will be for an initial period of 3 years with an option to extend for up to a further 2 years as required.

The service is a Schedule 3 Service and is being procured under the Light Touch Regime(LTR) of the Public Contract Regulations 2015.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £116,000,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 4 Dartford, Gravesham & Swanley

Lot No

4

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85100000 - Health services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

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

The service will provide psychological therapies treatment for people age 17.5 and over with a common mental illness. The service will deliver Step 2 and Step 3 interventions, and clinicians will use GAD7 and PHQ-9 scores and other clinical indicators to determine the level of intervention required.

Providers are expected to follow the Improving Access to Psychological Therapies manual to implement and deliver effective assessment and treatment. It is the responsibility of the provider to ensure it has the required resources and workforce to support the range of treatment modalities required as per the IAPT manual. <https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/the-iapt-manual-v5.pdf>

The provider is required to implement referral pathways that are easy to understand, recognisable and simple to navigate. Services must seek out and activate innovative outreach mechanisms to meet the identified needs of the local population for example peer support, community development workers. This must include active case finding methods to reach in to our local communities to ensure that adult psychological therapy services are present, the benefits of treatment are shared in a variety of formats, and information about access is widely distributed whether through digital means or in person discussions with a wide range of patients, public and partner organisations.

### **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: £16,200,000

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

Start date

1 April 2024

End date

31 March 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

2 year extension option

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

**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**

Initial 3 year contract, with possible 2 year extension option

**II.2) Description**

**II.2.1) Title**

Lot 2 West Kent

Lot No

2

**II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85100000 - Health services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

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**II.2.5) Award criteria**

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**II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £26,600,000

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

Start date

1 April 2024

End date

31 March 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

2 year extension option

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

Initial 3 year contract, with possible 2 year extension option

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 1 East Kent

Lot No

1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85100000 - Health services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

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Start date

1 April 2024

End date

31 March 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

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Description of renewals

2 year extension option

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Variants will be accepted: No

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

#### **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**

Initial 3 year contract, with possible 2 year extension

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 3 Medway & Swale

Lot No

3

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85100000 - Health services

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

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

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#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

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#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £26,800,000

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

Start date

1 April 2024

End date

31 March 2027

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Yes

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2 year extension option

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

Date

16 March 2023

Local time

12:00pm

#### **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

16 March 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.3) Additional information**

To access the eProcurement portal to access relevant documentation relating this opportunity, please follow the instructions below:

1. Go to <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome> (and click the link to register (If your organisation has not registered previously)
2. Once registered, login into the system and look for 'Quote/tender C117237 - NHS Talking Therapies (formerly known as IAPT) (Kent and Medway)

This Procurement has been advertised in accordance with the requirements of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) (the “Regulations”) to the extent that the Regulations relate to services within the scope of Schedule 3 thereto (Social and Other Specific Services). The Commissioner and AGCSU are, therefore, bound only by those parts of the Regulations applying to Schedule 3 services.

### **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**

The High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

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