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Tender

## **Independent Advocacy Services For Adults with Health and Social Care Needs**

Cumberland Council

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-043906

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

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

Cumberland Council

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**Region code**

UKD1 - Cumbria

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.cumberland.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.cumberland.gov.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.the-chest.org.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.the-chest.org.uk/>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Independent Advocacy Services For Adults with Health and Social Care Needs

Reference number

DN710713

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

Cumberland Council are procuring Independent Advocacy Services for Adults with Health and Social Care Needs. This tender relates to the area covered by Cumberland Council - Carlisle, Allerdale and Copeland.

The primary role of advocacy services shall be to meet all statutory requirements for the provision of professional independent advocacy.

The Council is looking to appoint a Provider to deliver a Cumberland Advocacy Hub covering the four types of statutory advocacy below:

- Care Act Advocacy (CAA).
- Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy (IMCA).
- Independent Mental Health Act Advocacy (IMHA)
- NHS Complaints

The initial period of the contract is 3 years. There are two optional extensions of 12 months each. The use of these extensions is at the absolute discretion of the Council.

The contract end date on this notice includes these extension periods.

The estimated annual value of the contract is: £345,800 excluding VAT.

The estimated maximum contract value over the three year term is: £1,090,100 excluding VAT. This includes an estimate of any potential uplifts.

The estimated maximum contract value over the three year term plus the two 12 month optional extensions is: £1,910,700 excluding VAT. This includes an estimate of any potential uplifts.

You must be registered on The Chest (<https://www.the-chest.org.uk/>) to access the tender documents. All bids must be received electronically via the Chest by the closing date stated in the ITT. For full details please read the ITT and its Schedules. Any clarifications about the tender must be sent via the messaging on the Chest by the closing date stated in the ITT.

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,910,700

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

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

All award criteria are stated in the procurement documents only. The Council is conducting the procurement using the open procedure in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 for the purpose of procuring the services described in the specification which can be found within the ITT documents.

Providers will submit tenders by the stated deadline via <https://www.the-chest.org.uk/>

### **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: £1,910,700

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

Start date

1 June 2024

End date

31 May 2029

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Council proposes to enter into the Contract for a period of three years with the successful Tenderer. There are TWO optional extensions available of up to 12 months. The optional extension is at the complete discretion of the Council. The end date of 31st May 2029 includes the two optional extensions. If the extensions are not used the contract will end on 31st May 2027.

#### **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

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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

11 March 2024

Local time

10:30am

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

English

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

11 March 2024

Local time

10:30am

Place

The electronic seal will be broken after the deadline on 11/03/2024 at 10:30am.

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

Authorised staff from Cumberland Council will verify the bids.

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## **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**

His Majesty's Court Service

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.cumberland.gov.uk/>