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Contract

Pre-Transfer Clinical Discussion & Assessment Service (PTCDA) - Home Visiting

NHS Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland ICB

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-005207

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04e20f

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland ICB

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKF - East Midlands (England)

NHS Organisation Data Service

QK1

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://leicesterleicestershireandrutland.icb.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

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

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

Pre-Transfer Clinical Discussion & Assessment Service (PTCDA) - Home Visiting

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Pre-Transfer Clinical Discussion & Assessment Service (PTCDA) service, which is a multi-agency approach to improving care in the community.

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: £973,216

II.2) Description**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKF21 - Leicester
- UKF22 - Leicestershire CC and Rutland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Contract is for the GP visiting element of the Pre-Transfer Clinical Discussion & Assessment Service (PTCDA) service, which is a multi-agency approach to improving care in the community and reducing avoidable conveyances and admissions to secondary care, which involves primary care, East Midlands Ambulance Service (EMAS) and secondary care geriatricians. This contract covers one element of the service, namely the GP visiting service, where GPs undertake home visits for patients referred by the NHS University Hospitals of Leicester (UHL) Trust Consultant Geriatrician or Geriatric Emergency Doctor following contact from the ambulance service .

The ICB is intending to award a contract to an existing provider following direct award process C, where the existing provider is satisfying the existing contract and will likely satisfy the proposed new contract, and the contract is not changing considerably, and the test for considerable change is not met.

The contract is cost and volume with a maximum lifetime (2-year) value of £973,216.

The dates between which the services are intended to be provided are: 01/04/2025 to 31/03/2026 with an option to extend up to 31/03/2027.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Cost criterion - Name: The existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard / Weighting: 100

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: 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 publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by the 26th 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: No

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

28 January 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Charnwood GP Network Limited

The Old Infant School, Rosebery Medical Centre, Rosebery Street

Loughborough

LE11 5DX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF22 - Leicestershire CC and Rutland

Companies House

09023605

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £973,216

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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Email address where written representations should be sent: llricb-llr.contracting@nhs.net

Details of the award decision-makers: NHS LLR ICB Strategic Commissioning Group on 28th of January 2025.

Any declared conflicts or potential conflicts of interest of individuals making the decision and how these were managed:

- Conflicts of interest were identified among the members of the Strategic Commissioning Group. The non-conflicted members assessed the nature and risk of this conflict and decided to allow the conflicted member to participate in the discussion but was excluded from the decision-making.

The Contracting Authority has assessed the provider's suitability and technical/professional ability to pursue this service based on their current activities and performance. The provider's economic and financial standing has been considered in accordance with basic selection criteria schedule 16 of PSR.

Relative importance and rationale for the key criteria, and the rationale for choosing the provider with reference to the key criteria:

1. Quality and innovation

The provider evidences service delivery through producing demand and activity data, and patient safety reporting. There was 100% satisfaction reported by professionals from the most recent NHS Friends and Family Test feedback (February 2024). No concerns or complaints have been received about the Provider or the service.

2. Value

The contract for the home visiting element is paid on a cost per session basis, resulting in

a cost-effective service which significantly reduces demands and cost for more expensive acute services.

3. Integration, collaboration and service sustainability

The Provider works in an integrated and collaborative way with system partners (UHL, EMAS and General Practice) to deliver the home visiting service element of the service. Patient level data is shared with partners across the system. The Provider has appropriate policies, procedures and systems in place to deliver the service. Through the delivery of this service, there is a reduction in the number of ambulance conveyances and ED attendances, which improves the quality of those services. The service is staffed by local LLR GPs, and learning from the service is shared with General Practices. The service is also able to prescribe medication and organise further treatment .

4. Improving access, reducing health inequalities and facilitating choice

The home visiting element of the service is delivered in people's own homes, the service is accessible to all patients regardless of geography (Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland wide) and protected characteristics, accessible to patients referred by the Geriatrician at UHL. Data requirements will be reviewed and updated for the future to collate information about health inequalities.

5. Social value

The provider evidences social value by providing local employment and purchasing local goods and services, The provider has good performance for patients remaining in their own homes (approx. 83% of patients avoided an ED attendance) following treatment, leading to fewer patient journeys to alternative services (such as ED attendance, ambulance call-out, or GP Practice attendance). It is recognised that this cohort of patients spend an average of 9 days in hospital, and patients become deconditioned whilst in hospital, and through the ED avoidance outcomes achieved by this service, the service is having a positive impact on the wellbeing of the patients and their carers.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NHS Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland ICB

Leicester

Country

United Kingdom

