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Contract

Online - STI Testing

The Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<http://www.kingston.gov.uk>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Online - STI Testing

Reference number

DN711480

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NOTIFICATION OF INTENTION TO AWARD: The Royal Borough of Kingston is intending to award a contract to an existing provider following Direct Award Process C of the UK Health Care Services (PSR) Regs 2023 for STI online testing service for 16 - 24 age group in Kingston. The service also provides for referrals to other health organisations. STI testing kits are made available to pharmacies, youth services and the school health team in the borough. The service is managed by the Your Healthcare Contraception and Sexual Health Service (CASH). This local management is a valued aspect of the service and ensures patients who test positive via the online service are seamlessly transferred into local services.

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: £75,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ26 - East Surrey

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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REASONS FOR THE AWARD DECISION IN FAVOUR OF THE CHOSEN SUPPLIER:

-Key criteria assessment was undertaken in accordance with the Health Care Services (PSR) Regs 2023

-The assessment was made in accordance with Direct Award Process C

-The key criteria used to assess the existing provider's current and future performance were based on Annex D of The Provider Selection Regime Statutory Guidance with a focus on:

- safety
- effectiveness
- positive experience
- well-led
- sustainably resourced
- equitable
- innovation

Particular focus was given to the benefits of the integration of the current service. The services are rendered in partnership with the NHS and local authorities. The current service is integrated with our local Contraception and Sexual Health (CASH) service, who work with FTM to manage any positive cases identified via the online service. Additionally, FTM works in partnership with local pharmacies, school health team and youth services to provide them with STI testing kits that can be given to residents. Despite being an online service, FTM is well integrated with services in Kingston. This integration create a seamless pathway for residents. Considerable marketing efforts have been made targeting residents to reach the current stage where there is an increased level of uptake of the services. This helps reduce

health inequalities and enables the service to reach high risk groups and residents that have a reluctance to engage with sexual health services.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: No conflict of interest was found to exist in reaching the decision to award. A declaration of no Conflict of interest was completed and signed by evaluators appointed to make a decision as well as specific persons in an influential position. The signed declarations are held in our files.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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

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 UK is no longer bound by the EU Procurement regulations. The procurement exercise is being conducted in accordance with the Health Care Services (PSR) Regs 2023

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

Contract No

DN711480

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

16 February 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 0

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £75,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Not applicable

Not applicable

Country

United Kingdom