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## **Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) including IAPT for Long Term Conditions/Medically Unexplained Symptoms**

NHS Calderdale Clinical Commissioning Group

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKE44 - Calderdale and Kirklees

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.calderdaleccg.nhs.uk/>

**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**

Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) including IAPT for Long Term Conditions/Medically Unexplained Symptoms

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) including IAPT for Long Term Conditions/Medically Unexplained Symptoms

This is a VEAT notice for the direct award of contract of 18 months to incumbent providers.

The IAPT service provides identification, assessment, and treatment of adults (aged 18+) with common mental health disorders, in accordance with appropriate NICE guidance and NHS IAPT manual , with the aim of improving wellbeing and quality of life in line with Calderdale Cares and the Calderdale Wellbeing Strategy.

The COVID-19 outbreak has delayed the Commissioners detailed review of the IAPT service. This has given rise to an urgent need to secure a safe continued provision of service during these uncertain times. The pressures of COVID-19 have meant there has been insufficient time for Calderdale CCG to complete a full review of the IAPT service to include the best contract approach going forward (Any Qualified Provider v block contract). It is clear to commissioners that at this point in time AQP does not allow potential providers to establish and maintain resilient and sustainable models to deliver the service as specified.

The current contracting approach is not conducive to the delivery of effective talking therapies on a resilient and sustainable basis and has resulted in our decision to change our contracting arrangements. Accordingly, this has brought about circumstances which a diligent contracting authority could not have foreseen which has resulted in the decision to withdraw the service from AQP from 1st April 2022 and directly award an IAPT contract

for 18 months to the incumbent providers. This does not alter the overall nature of the contract.

#### **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: £2,700,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKE44 - Calderdale and Kirklees

Main site or place of performance

Services will be provided within the Calderdale geographical area

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

Improving Access to Psychological Therapies (IAPT) including IAPT for Long Term Conditions/Medically Unexplained Symptoms to population served by NHS Calderdale Clinical Commissioning Group

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#### **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**

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- Extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable for the contracting authority

Explanation:

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#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

25 February 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

Vita Health Solutions Limited

7 Angel Hill, Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk

IP33 1UZ

Email

[Mark.Driver@vhg.co.uk](mailto:Mark.Driver@vhg.co.uk)

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

Internet address

<https://www.vitahealthgroup.co.uk/>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £2,472,060

#### **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Fieldhead Hospital, Outchthope Lane

Wakefield

WF13SP

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE45 - Wakefield

Internet address

<https://www.southwestyorkshire.nhs.uk/>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £313,290

**V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Royal Courts of Justice

Strand, Holborn

London

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<https://courtribunalfinder.service.gov.uk/courts/royal-courts-of-justice>