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Contract

Mobile CT Lung Screening Service

The Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2026/S 000-005894

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-060c96

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Freeman Hospital, Freeman Road, High Heaton

Newcastle-upon-Tyne

NE7 7DN

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKC22 - Tyneside

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.newcastle-hospitals.nhs.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://www.newcastle-hospitals.nhs.uk>

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

Mobile CT Lung Screening Service

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Mobile CT Lung Screening Service - The Lung Cancer Screening programme invites people between the ages of 55-74 who have ever smoked, to an NHS lung Health Check. At the lung health check a participant is asked a series of questions to calculate their risk of having lung cancer now or in the future. If the person is thought to be of high risk they are offered a low dose CT scan.

This contract has been awarded under PSR Direct Award Process C. The value of the 6 month contract is £375,300.00. It is proposed that this contract will run from the period 01/04/2026 to 30/09/2026.

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: £375,300

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85150000 - Medical imaging services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC22 - Tyneside

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The service required is for a Mobile CT Lung Screening Service - The Lung Cancer Screening programme invites people between the ages of 55-74 who have ever smoked, to an NHS lung Health Check. At the lung health check a participant is asked a series of questions to calculate their risk of having lung cancer now or in the future. If the person is thought to be of high risk they are offered a low dose CT scan.

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II.2.5) Award criteria

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

Price - Weighting: 0

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:

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 Procurement Act 2023 do not apply to this award. The standstill period begins on 26/01/2026. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by the end of standstill.

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

21 January 2026

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

COBALT HEALTH

Linton House Clinic, Thirlestaine Road, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire,

Cheltenham

GL53 7AS

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK13 - Gloucestershire

National registration number

04366596

Internet address

<http://cobalthhealth.co.uk>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £375,300

Lowest offer: £375,300 / Highest offer: £375,300 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This contract has been awarded under PSR Direct Award Process C. The standstill will begin on 23/01/2026.

It is proposed that this contract will run from the period 01/04/2026 to 30/09/2026.

The Contract Title & Reference is as follows:
Mobile CT Lung Screening Service - C165121

The contract has been awarded to Cobalt Health
Cobalt
Linton House Clinic
Thirlestaine Road
Cheltenham
GL53 7AS

The service falls under CPV 85150000-5 - Medical Imaging Services

The lifetime of the contract will be 6 months.

The provider was assessed against 5 key criteria: Quality and Innovation; Value; Integration, collaboration, and service sustainability; Improving access, reducing inequalities, and facilitating choice; and social value.

Each criterion was assessed on a pass/fail basis, considering whether the provider have currently satisfied the criteria under the previous contract and whether the provider would likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard. The provider achieved a pass score against all criteria.

No conflicts of interests were recorded.

Subject to funding, The Authority preference is to deliver these services in house beyond October 2026.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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