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Contract

North of Tyne and Gateshead Diabetic Eye Screening Programme

NHS England Cumbria and the North East

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-006064

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-029f22

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS England Cumbria and the North East

Waterfront 4, Goldcrest Way, Newburn Riverside

Newcastle upon Tyne

NE15 8NY

Email

necsu.neprocurement@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKC - NORTH EAST (ENGLAND)

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/nhsnecsu.aspx/Home>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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**

North of Tyne and Gateshead Diabetic Eye Screening Programme

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Contract awarded by NHS England Cumbria and North East. As a result of extreme urgency following COVID-19 pressures, a Single Tender Action has been enacted for a provision of eye screening service to the North of Tyne and Gateshead eligible population, in order to reduce the risk of sight loss amongst people with diabetes by the prompt

identification and effective treatment if necessary of sight threatening diabetic retinopathy, at the appropriate stage during the disease process. The contracting authority intends to undertake a procurement process following the direct award in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 (as amended) depending upon the outcome of current procurement consultation. Future process will be published via Find a Tender and Contracts Finder.

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: £2,678,620

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - NORTH EAST (ENGLAND)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The purpose of the service is to provide an eye screening service to the North of Tyne and Gateshead eligible population, in order to reduce the risk of sight loss amongst people with diabetes by the prompt identification and effective treatment if necessary of sight threatening diabetic retinopathy, at the appropriate stage during the disease process. The population size is circa seventy thousand.

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) Form of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

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

Explanation:

This contract award is required due to the COVID-19 Pandemic and subsequent impact upon operational delivery and business operations. The current pandemic and events were not expected or foreseen by the contracting authority. Attempts to mitigate risks identified in advance of procurement were undertaken. There was an urgent need to enact this STA as current contracts came to an end on 31 March 2021 and there was a need to ensure services are maintained for the patients' needs.

Future procurement processes will be advertised via Find a Tender and Contracts Finder.

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

31 January 2021

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Northgate Public Services (UK) Ltd

Crome Lea Business Park, Madingley Road

Madingley

CB23 7PH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC - NORTH EAST (ENGLAND)

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,678,620

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The contracting authority intends to undertake a procurement process following the direct award in accordance with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 (as amended) depending upon the outcome of current procurement consultation.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Public Procurement Review Service

Cabinet Office

London

Email

publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk

Telephone

+44 3450103503

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit>

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

North of England Commissioning Support Unit

Teesdale House, Westpoint Road

Thornaby, Stockton-on-Tees

TS17 6BL

Email

necsu.neprocurement@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Commissioner will act in accordance with Part 3 Chapter 5 Regulation 85 to 87 and Part 3 Chapter 6 Regulation 88 to 104 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No 102) (PCR 2015) as amended. Part 3 of the PCR 2015 provides for appeals to be made to the High Court subject to the time limitations and other required procedural steps. The rules relating to appeal are complex and a dissatisfied tenderer is advised to take their own prompt legal advice.

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Royal Courts of Justice - The High Courts

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

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