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## **Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) Assessment Service**

Norfolk County Council

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-007292

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03113c

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

Norfolk County Council

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Norwich

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#### **Contact**

Annie Southgate

#### **Email**

[sourcingteam@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:sourcingteam@norfolk.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

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

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

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

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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

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**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## Section II: Object

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) Assessment Service

Reference number

NCCT42391

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Norfolk County Council wishes to award a contract to a company for the provision of Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) Assessments to support a reduction in our backlog of referrals, in preparation for LPS (Liberty Protection Safeguards). We are inviting a provider who can deliver suitably qualified and experienced Best Interests Assessors and Section 12 Doctors to carry out the relevant DoLS assessments for adults aged 18 years and above in care homes within Norfolk. If you are interested, please register on in-tend the council's portal at <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/norfolkcc.aspx/Home> and express an interest in this project. You will then have access to all documentation.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £300,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

### II.2) Description

#### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

- 85300000 - Social work and related services

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

NUTS codes

- UKH17 - Breckland and South Norfolk
- UKH16 - North and West Norfolk
- UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

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

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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £300,000

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Start date

8 June 2022

End date

31 January 2023

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The initial term is for 6 months from the Required Service Commencement Date. The

Contract may be extended by up to a further 36 months to be reviewed every 6 months at the Council's discretion.

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

**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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

**III.1) Conditions for participation**

**III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

**III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2022/S 000-002722](#)

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

21 April 2022

Local time

11:00am

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

21 April 2022

Local time

11:05am

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.3) Additional information**

This procurement will be managed electronically via the Council's e-procurement system. To participate in this procurement, applicants must first be registered on the system at <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/norfolkcc>. Full instructions for registration and use of the system can be found at <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/norfolkcc.aspx/BuyerProfiles>. Once registered you will be able to see the procurement project under the `tenders` section and `express an interest`. If you encounter any difficulties whilst using the system you can contact the In-tend support team by phoning +44 8442728810 or e-mailing [support@in-tend.co.uk](mailto:support@in-tend.co.uk).

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

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

Norfolk County Council - Head of Procurement

Norwich

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Proceedings must be brought within 30 days from the date of knowledge (the date on which the economic operator first knew or

ought to have known that grounds for starting the proceedings had arisen) unless the Court considers that there is good reason for extending the period within which proceedings may be brought, in which case the Court may extend that period up to a maximum of 3 months from the date of knowledge.

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

Norfolk County Council - Head of Procurement

Norwich

Country

United Kingdom