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Contract

Knowsley Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Assessment Service

NHS Cheshire and Merseyside Integrated Care Board

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-0446c8

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

Knowsley Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Assessment Service

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This is an Intention to Award notice for NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB - Knowsley Place who intend to award a further 12 month contract to Clinical Partners Ltd to undertake Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) assessment and diagnosis service for children and young people aged 5-18 in Knowsley. The contract will commence on 1 April 2024 and expire on 31 March 2025. The provider holds the current contract.

The decision has been taken to award the contract to this provider due to excellent performance, proven value for money and demonstrable achievement of the key criteria for Direct Award Process C. NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB - Knowsley is in the process of redesigning its Neurodevelopmental Pathway with a view to implementing this from 2025/26. The provider works collaboratively with other Knowsley providers and partners in an integrated manner so the 12 month extension will ensure stability and sustainability while the new model is developed.

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: £1,499,690

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD71 - East Merseyside

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Intention to award contract: NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB - Knowsley Place intends to award a further 12 month contract to the existing provider to undertake Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) assessment and diagnosis service for children and young people aged 5-18 in Knowsley. The contract will be for the period 1 April 2024 - 31 March 2025 and the contract value is £1,499,690.

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. Value has been assessed using all of the key criteria for PSR Direct Award C, see section VI.3. / Weighting: 99

Price - Weighting: 1

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: 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

- New works/services, constituting a repetition of existing works/services

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 Public Contracts Regulations 2015 do not apply to this award. The publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by 20 March 2024. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR Direct Award Process C.

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

Title

Knowsley Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Assessment Service

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

20 February 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Clinical Partners Limited

Unit 6, Chaldicott Barns

Tokes Lane, Semley

SP7 9AW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Companies House

07590254

Internet address

<https://www.clinical-partners.co.uk/>

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,499,690

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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period. Representations by providers must be made to the ruth.waldron@cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk by 20 March 2024. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

The decision to award was made at the Procurement Decisions Review Group on 20 February 2024. No conflicts of interest were identified. The following criteria informed the decision:

Social Value: 10%

Improving access, reducing health inequalities, and facilitating choice: 25%

Value: 20%

Integration, collaboration and service sustainability: 20%

Quality and innovation: 25%

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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