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Contract

CHEC - Cataract Accreditation

NHS Frimley ICB

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04e981

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Frimley ICB

Windsor

SL4 3DP

Email

scwcsu.cbprocurement@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ - South East (England)

NHS Organisation Data Service

D4U1Y

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.frimley.icb.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

CHEC - Cataract Accreditation

Reference number

WA15266 / C287230

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Frimley ICB is commissioning Cataract services to ensure that supply meets the demands of our ageing population, that Service Users can choose a provider that most suits their individual needs, that quality and safety are central to provision and that the service does not adversely impact the ability to deliver local comprehensive ophthalmology services.

The Commissioner is directly awarding, following direct award process B, a contract to Community Health and Eyecare Ltd in accordance with the criteria outlined in Regulation (9) of 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 initial contract term is 3 years with an optional extension of up to 1 year. The three-year contract period will commence on the 22nd January 2025.

This procurement has been carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioner.

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: £0.1

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ - South East (England)

Main site or place of performance

Frimley

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NHS Frimley ICB commissions Cataract surgery services to ensure that supply meets the demands of our ageing population, that Service Users can choose a provider that most suits their individual needs, that quality and safety are central to provision and that the service does not adversely impact the ability to deliver local comprehensive ophthalmology services.

The Provider will:

- i. Deliver high quality and value for money cataract services that reflect the best practice guidance set out by the Royal College of Ophthalmologists, Getting it Right First Time and the NHSE National Eye Care Recovery and Transformation Programme (NECRTP) and NICE.
- ii. Maintain capacity to support the overall commissioned activity of the ICS, thus ensuring delivery of the national 18-week referral to treatment (RTT) cataract pathway and reduction in waiting list backlogs.
- iii. Maintain access to cataract services in accessible hospital and community settings, that provides care closer to home, improves choice, delivers greater consistency and equity in access to services across the localities.

The key objectives of the service are:

- iv. To ensure the provision of safe and effective cataract service provision to NHS patients
- v. To free up outpatient and primary eye care capacity for patients at higher risk of sight loss
- vi. To ensure the delivery of training for the next generation of consultant ophthalmologists

through equitable delivery of training to NHS trainees in all providers of NHS cataract surgery

vii. To ensure Service Users with urgent post-surgery issues and complications can be advised and managed by the Provider's own surgical ophthalmic team with any requirement and resource for other providers to support this clearly agreed.

viii. To achieve, and drive improvements in, the NECRTP high flow cataract pathway.

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Patient Choice / Weighting: 100%

Price - Weighting: 100%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Optional 1 year extension.

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) confirmation of contract award notice, following direct award process B. This contract has been awarded under 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.

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

22 January 2025

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

Community Health and Eyecare Ltd

Preston

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ - South East (England)

Companies House

07296068

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £0.1

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NHS Frimley ICB

Windsor

Country

United Kingdom