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## **Provision of External Audit Services**

CASTLE POINT & ROCHFORD CLINCAL COMMISSIONING GROUP

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02a6b3

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKH3 - Essex

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://castlepointandrochfordccg.nhs.uk>

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Provision of External Audit Services

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 79210000 - Accounting and auditing services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

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**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: £380,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

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

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### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

Mid and South Essex CCG's and West Essex CCG are currently moving towards creating an Integrated Care Systems, which initially involves the merging of the five CCG's in Mid & South Essex, and in respect of West Essex its current integration with Hertfordshire CCG's. The External Audit Services is predicated on organisational structure to satisfy the regulations and to provide appropriate reports to confirm organisational propriety. As a short term solution, as the current contract as expired, whilst this significant organisational change is taking place it would be inappropriate and short sighted to carry out a procurement process. It is intended that procurement process will commence over the coming months so that organisational structure can be determined and existing audits of current structures can be closed appropriately.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## **Section V. Award of contract/concession**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

14 April 2021

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

KPMG

15 Canada Square

London

E14 5GL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £380,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

High Court of Justice England and Wales

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom