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Contract

## **Provision of Urgent Award MSK Pain Management and Rheumatology on behalf of NHS Mid and South Essex ICB**

NHS Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

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

NHS Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board

Phoenix House, Christopher Martin Road

Basildon, Essex

SS14 3HG

#### **Email**

[esther.pettigrew@attain.co.uk](mailto:esther.pettigrew@attain.co.uk)

#### **Telephone**

+44 2034356590

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKH3 - Essex

**National registration number**

QH8

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.midandsouthessex.ics.nhs.uk](http://www.midandsouthessex.ics.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 Urgent Award MSK Pain Management and Rheumatology on behalf of NHS Mid and South Essex ICB

Reference number

ACE-0755-2024-MSE

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85100000 - Health services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The current re procurement of MSK Pain Management and Rheumatology Services has had unforeseen delays and there must not be a gap in service provision for the population which would impact patients by deteriorating their current conditions. The current contract with the incumbent expires on 31st October 2025 and as a consequence there is a requirement to award a short term contract whilst the procurement concludes. The new contract will be for a further 7 months with an option to extend for a further 5 months from 01st April 2025 to 31st March 2026.

#### **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: £3,147,575

### **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

Main site or place of performance

Brandon, Suffolk

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

The current MSK Pain Management and Rheumatology Contract to provide the services to patients within NHS Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board (Basildon and Brentwood and Thurrock) will expire on 31st October 2025. The Urgent Award to the existing provider is to ensure that there is continued provision of MSK Pain Management and Rheumatology Services to the registered population of NHS Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board (Basildon and Brentwood and Thurrock) whilst the procurement in place to award a new contract is concluded. There is a requirement to award a new short term contract for 7 months, with an option to extend for a further 5 months 01st April 2025 - 31st March 2026.

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

Quality criterion - Name: to address immediate risks to safety and quality of care /  
Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 100

#### **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 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:

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#### 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

### Title

Provision of Urgent Award for MSK, Pain Management and Rheumatology Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract

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

5 November 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**

Connect Health Limited

The Light Box, Quorum Business Park, Benton Lane,

Newcastle Upon Tyne,

NE12 8EU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC2 - Northumberland and Tyne and Wear

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £3,147,575

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This contract has been awarded under the urgent circumstances provision of the Provider Selection Regime (PSR). 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 in this award.

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Decision makers are: NHS Mid and South Essex ICB Executive Team

No conflicts of interest have been identified

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

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

The Royal Courts of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom