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# Provision of Autism Support Advice and Inclusion Service across North West London

NHS North West London Integrated Care Board

F02: Contract notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### I.1) Name and addresses

NHS North West London Integrated Care Board

15 Marylebone Rd,

London

NW15JD

#### Contact

NHS North West London Contracts Team

#### **Email**

nhsnwl.contracting@nhs.net

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### Region code

UKI32 - Westminster

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.nwlondonics.nhs.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.nwlondonics.nhs.uk

## I.3) Communication

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

https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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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

Provision of Autism Support Advice and Inclusion Service across North West London

Reference number

C152887

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85323000 - Community health services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

NHS North West London Integrated Care Board (the "Authority") is issuing this Invitation to Tender ("ITT") in connection with the competitive procurement for the Provision of Autism Support Advice and Inclusion Service across North West London.

The contract term is for a three (3) year period, with an optional extension period of two (2) years, starting 1st July 2023 with an estimated contract value of £450,000 per annum (total contract value of £2,250,000), inclusive of VAT. A mobilisation period of 1 month will be applied prior to the commencement of the start date.

This procurement process is subject to the so-called light touch regime as set out in regulations 74-76 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ("PCR") as the procurement concerns health services which are social & other specific services according to the PCR. This opportunity is likely to be of interest to an organisation from the voluntary, community & social enterprise (VCSE) sector.

## II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,800,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## II.2) Description

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

- 85323000 Community health services
- 85323000 Community health services
- 75200000 Provision of services to the community

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

UKI74 - Harrow and Hillingdon

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

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NHS North West London currently delivers a peer-led support, advice and signposting service for autistic people aged 14 and over without a learning disability living in NW London. One of the key features of this service is that it is delivered by people with lived experience of autism and has been shaped, delivered, tested, and evaluated by the autistic people, and families who use it.

The service will provide direct face-to-face and virtual support to autistic adults delivered as 1:1 and group sessions and deliver group sessions to young people aged 14 to 17 years. It will

also offer specialist training and advice to families, employers and health, social care, and education providers to improve autism awareness and acceptance within communities and the wider system.

Achieving a strong and effective model of co-production is integral to the success and impact of the service; in addition to ensuring that people with lived experience are employed at all levels of the organisation, key features of the service will be the co-development and delivery of training and peer-led support and advice in addition to facilitating sessions to support autistic people to share their views and experience to co-design other specialist and mainstream services and pathways.

Rather than prescribing the service, the intention is to commission a model which offers a menu of services and methods of delivery, including face-to-face and digital services, which can be flexed at pace to respond to changing demand and the needs and aspirations of the autistic people and the families who use the service.

During 2023/24, the successful Provider will support the NW London Integrated Care System (ICS) to map similar provision for children and young people (CYP) to identify gaps and determine the demand for a NW London voluntary sector offer for our younger population and their families.

To express interest and participate in the tender, please register and apply via Atamis esourcing portal <a href="https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome">https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome</a>.

Should Tenderers have any queries, or having problems using the portal, they should contact Helpdesk at:

Phone: 0800 9956035

E-mail: support-health@atamis.co.uk

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60.00%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10.00%

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 30.00%

#### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,800,000

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

#### system

Start date

1 July 2023

End date

30 June 2026

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for a further two (2) twelve (12) month periods.

#### 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

## **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: No

## IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

17 April 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

## IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Tender must be valid until: 17 October 2023

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

Date

27 March 2023

Local time

5:00pm

## **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

## VI.4) Procedures for review

## VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

https://www.judiciary.uk/courts-and-tribunals/high-court/