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Award

Individual Placement Support

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership-Procurement Services (hosted by Velindre University NHS Trust)

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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UK - United Kingdom

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Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221

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

Individual Placement Support

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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Support.

The service will provide key outcomes for the Health Board in terms of supporting people's recovery and improving their health and wellbeing and increasing their opportunities for sustainable paid employment and training, thus ultimately reducing caseload numbers.

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- i. To get people into competitive employment in the open labour market
- ii. It is open to all eligible people who want to work.
- iii. It tries to find jobs consistent with people's preferences.
- iv. It works quickly (Place, Train and Maintain)
- v. It brings Employment Specialists into clinical teams.
- vi. Employment Specialists develop relationships with employers based upon a person's work preferences.
- vii. It provides time-limited, individualised support for the person and their employer.
- viii. Access to specialist benefits advice is included.

In line with the funding requirement providers will need to:

- Be able to provide services with an almost immediate effect upon contract award in April 2024.
- Service implementation meetings are expected to commence in April 2024
- Must hold a Fidelity Kitemark prior to the project commencing and hold it throughout the funding period
- Undertake Fidelity Reviews during the IPSPC Funding Period
- Must have experience of working with individuals with mental health
- Have established employer networks already in place across Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire

- Must adhere to working in line with the eight (8) key principles of Individual Placement Support
- Must have knowledge of the relevant services and established links with locally commissioned services for people with disabilities and health conditions aged 18 years or older to enter work.
- Have established relationships with DWP partners across Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire
- The Delivery Partner must have knowledge and links to similar services the health provides (including contractual)
- Have comprehensive knowledge of the local labour market across Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire
- Have established effective working relationships with Mental Health, Local Authority and Primary Health partners Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire

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: £560,515

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

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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

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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The funding requires a third sector provider to deliver the service and the provider must clearly evidence they meet all of the criteria outlined in the description for an immediate start, of which Mind Pembrokeshire have demonstrated as they currently provide a much smaller scale of the Individual Placement Support service for the Health Board.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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 March 2024

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

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NUTS code

- UKL14 - South West Wales

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £560,515

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Sell2Wales Web Site at

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=140052.](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=140052)

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

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