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Contract

## **Community Musculoskeletal (MSK) Wolverhampton Service - NHS Black Country ICB (C317779)**

NHS Black Country Integrated Care Board

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04b705

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

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

NHS Black Country Integrated Care Board

Civic Centre, St Peter's Square

Wolverhampton

WV1 1SH

#### **Contact**

Ola Shodipe

#### **Email**

[olamide.shodipe1@nhs.net](mailto:olamide.shodipe1@nhs.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKG39 - Wolverhampton

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.blackcountry.icb.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.blackcountry.icb.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**

Community Musculoskeletal (MSK) Wolverhampton Service - NHS Black Country ICB (C317779)

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands CSU on behalf of the NHS Black Country Integrated Care Board intend to award a contract for the provision of an Integrated Musculoskeletal (MSK) Service in Wolverhampton.

#### **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: £15,300,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

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

The successful Provider will deliver an integrated MSK service model, with the overall aim of providing a multi-disciplinary team approach for the non-surgical care of people with a

musculoskeletal condition, which must ensure that high quality, safe and sustainable services are delivered for patients.

As a result of this Competitive Process, a contract will be awarded to the successful Provider for a period of 3 years (1st July 2025 to 30th June 2028). The Commissioners may opt to extend the contract term by a further 2 years (1st July 2028 to 30th June 2030). The provider who previously delivered the service has been identified as the preferred provider. It is anticipated that the service provision resulting from this Competitive Process will have a value of £15,300,000 for 5 years, which includes any exercised contract extensions.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality & Innovation / Weighting: 40.00%

Quality criterion - Name: Integration, Collaboration & Service Sustainability / Weighting: 21.00%

Quality criterion - Name: Improving Access, Reducing Health Inequalities & Facilitating Choice / Weighting: 9.00%

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

Price - Weighting: 20.00%

### **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**

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-037082](#)

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## **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**

17 March 2025

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

Number of tenders received: 9

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 9

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

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

Connect Health Ltd

Connect Health, The Light Box (Q2), Quorum Business Park, Benton Lane, Tyne and Wear

Newcastle

NE128EU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC - North East (England)

National registration number

02337692

Internet address

<http://www.connecthealth.co.uk>

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £17,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £15,300,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to 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 publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by midnight 27th March 2025. Any representations should be sent to [olamide.shodipe1@nhs.net](mailto:olamide.shodipe1@nhs.net)

This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award a contract under the competitive process of the PSR.

The award decision-makers are the NHS Black Country Integrated Care Board. The decision to award the contract was made by the NHS Black Country Integrated Care Board's Strategic Commissioning Committee. There were no declared of potential conflicts of interest of individuals making the award decision.

The scoring criteria for the Basic Selection Criteria Questions were either evaluated as Pass/Fail or For Information.

The Key Criteria Questions were evaluated as scored sub-weighted questions, as follows:

Quality and Innovation - 40.00%

Value - 20.00%

Integration, Collaboration & Service Sustainability - 21.00%

Improving access, reducing health inequalities and facilitating Choice - 9.00%

Social Value - 10.00%

Connect Health Ltd received the highest combined overall weighted Key Criteria score out of 100.00%. Therefore, they are the preferred provider and awarded the contract (subject to agreement).

## **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/>

