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Award

GP with Specialist Interest Services (GPwSI)

NHS Hertfordshire and West Essex ICB

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Hertfordshire and West Essex ICB

Charter House, Parkway,

Welwyn Garden City

AL8 6JL

Email

esther.pettigrew@attain.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKH35 - West Essex

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://hertsandwestessex.icb.nhs.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://attain.bravosolution.co.uk/>

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

GP with Specialist Interest Services (GPwSI)

Reference number

HWE CANS 2023

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This is a Voluntary Ex-Ante Transparency Notice and is intended to provide notice of the Contracting Authority's intention to award a contract for 'GPwSI Services' to Stellar Healthcare Ltd and Uttlesford Healthcare Ltd provider, to extend for 5 months and continue to provide the services within the HWE area.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £486,521

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

GPwSI Services

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85100000 - Health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH35 - West Essex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Authority intends to award a contract to Stellar Healthcare Ltd for provision of GPwSI Services for HWE Area.

The Board previously approved a waiver extending the contract to 30th June 2023 and although the time since the previous waiver has been utilised to undertake a full-service review and some early market engagement, there are new factors with potential to delay the start of the new contract including:

1. Specifications needed clinical review and resource wasn't available until January 2023
2. Further market engagement needed
3. Original timeline had no contingency built in
4. Mobilisation period deemed too short for realistic implementation
5. Contract award timeline anchored to ICB Commissioning Committee in July 2023.

- Subsequently, a short-term extension is required to allow sufficient time for a robust process to take place. The request is for a waiver to support an extension to the service to 30th November 2023 for both contracts.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

GPwSI Services

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85100000 - Health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH23 - Hertfordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The GP Provider Services Contracts (delivered by Uttlesford Healthcare Ltd) expire on 31st March 2023. A project group was established with representation from Contracts, Commissioning, Quality, Finance and Attain (procurement) to undertake an evaluation of the current services and determine which services should be recommissioned

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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:

The Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board (HWE ICB) became a legal entity on 1st July 2022, replacing the previous Hertfordshire and West Essex Clinical Commissioning Groups. The organisation is in its early stages and is forming its commissioning and procurement strategies. It is the intention of the HWE ICB to undertake a full commissioning review of its services across the area. To procure services at this stage would risk destabilisation and misalignment to the wider strategy. This short-term extension will allow the HWE ICB time to ensure that a robust strategic review is undertaken which will inform the longer-term decision on how these services will be delivered in future for the benefit of our patients, and avoid unnecessary costs.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

CANS HWE

Lot No

1

Title

GPwSI Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

31 March 2023

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

Stellar Healthcare Ltd

Building 1, Spencer Close St. Margarets Hospital,

Epping

CM16 6TN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH23 - Hertfordshire

Internet address

<https://stellarhealthcare.co.uk/>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £278,585

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

CANS HWE

Lot No

2

Title

GPwSI Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

31 March 2023

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

Uttlesford Healthcare Ltd

5 Ferguson Close, Radwinter Road, Saffron Walden,

Romford

CB11 3HY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH23 - Hertfordshire

Internet address

www.uttlesfordhealth.org

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £207,936

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board

Charter House, Parkway

Welwyn Garden City

AL8 6JL

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