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Contract

Mid and South Essex Community Services

Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-010435

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-044e9c

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board

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Contact

NHS Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKH3 - Essex

National registration number

99E

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.midandsouthessex.ics.nhs.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

Mid and South Essex Community Services

Reference number

ACE-0747-2024-MSE

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85110000 - Hospital and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Community services in Mid and South Essex are delivered by three organisations – EPUT NELFT and Provide CIC. The three sovereign organisations have been working as a provider collaborative for 3 years under a contractual joint venture. The provider collaborative is known as the Mid and South Essex Community Collaborative (MSECC).

All three community contracts are coterminous and expire at the end of March 2024

Community health services are complex and as a result of legacy commissioning arrangements there are substantial variation in the way services are commissioned and delivered across MSE. This disparity is closely related to historic CCG funding variance.

Moving to a hosted single contract for community services across the ICS is in line with National Strategies of the NHS Long Term Plan and the Health Care Act (2022), which place a strong emphasis on the integration of Health and Care services and the expansion of community services, with more services delivered at home.

It is expected that a single solution across the ICS footprint will deliver more effective care focused at place, mitigating inequalities and providing consistent care across the whole of the ICB. The community services will align to the four key aims established for MSEICS:

1. Improve outcomes in populations health and healthcare

2. Tackle inequalities in outcomes, experience and access

3. Enhance productivity and value for money

4. Support broader social and economic development

Locking MSECC into the system architecture provides the opportunity to create the stability needed to both deliver the immediate system priorities as well as support a strategic review of community services' future needs, with the view to create a core offer of community health care for people in mid and south Essex that safeguards an effective and sustainable health and care system.

The three providers are the only technically capable of delivering the services based on the factors above and the significant time all organisations and the ICB have spent developing this integrated model. The contract will be awarded to Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (EPUT) with North East London NHS Foundation Trust (NELFT) and Provide Community Interest Company (CIC) as significant sub-contract partners.

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: £450,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

Main site or place of performance

Mid and South Essex Health Economy

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MSECC is a provider collaborative, recognised nationally for its track record of delivering valuable outcomes and ambitions to deliver care 'better together'. During 23/24 MSECC participated in the National Provider Collaborative Innovator Scheme, the sole community provider collaboration selected. The diversity, scale and unique contributions of the three community health providers brings added value to the MSE system through strength, opportunities and resilience.

The three community provider organisations (EPUT, NELFT and Provide) came together to reduce unwarranted variation in care and outcomes for service users across MSE. Considerable progress has been made through building relationships, holding honest and open conversations, sharing expertise and resources and by exploring solutions together. By developing solid foundations MSECC has been able to work together to unscramble complex issues and ease thorny challenges, demonstrating tangible benefits for our population, staff and system.

Award of NHS Standard Contract following Direct Award Process A (DAPA).

Contract term of three years.

The expected total contract value has been calculated based on the financial baselining of all the current in-scope services and to include the full contract term. The contract value will be £150 million per annum, equating to £450 million for the contract term. This equates to just under 4% increase on current contract values.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: No realistic alternative provider / 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

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:

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) confirmation of contract award notice. 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 to this award

NHS Provider Selection Regime Direct Award A.

Decision makers are: - Finance and Investment Committee and Main Board

Conflicts of interest identified among committee: [number]. The non-conflicted members have assessed the nature and risk of this conflict, and have decided which steps to take to avoid or manage it. Recused from that agenda item where the conflict existed. COI is managed using the ICB COI process along with NHSE COI guidance and the PSR reg 21 and guidance

Contract value - £450,000,000 for a period of 3 years.

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

Title

Mid and South Essex Community Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

21 March 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

Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust

The Lodge, Lodge Approach

Runwell

SS11 7XX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH3 - Essex

National registration number

Y61

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £450,000,000

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Royal Courts of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom