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Contract

Strength and Balance Service for West Essex, Mid Essex, Southwest Essex and Southeast Essex

Essex County Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-010767

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04ad06

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKH3 - Essex

Internet address(es)

Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Strength and Balance Service for West Essex, Mid Essex, Southwest Essex and Southeast Essex

Reference number

DN747972

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The aim of the strength and balance training service is to reduce the risk of falls, thereby improving health outcomes and reducing demands on health and social care services. This service offers expert instruction for those at risk of falling to improve their muscular strength and balance to reduce the risk and fear of falls improving individuals' wellbeing and their long-term independence. The service is most used by those who are elderly and frail. The service will be recommissioned and delivered in West, Mid-, Southwest and Southeast Essex.

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: £3,247,899

II.2) Description**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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This notice is an intention to award a contract under the competitive process.

The approximate lifetime value of this award will be £3,247,899.

This is an existing service that is being in regions of Essex and now being integrated into a single service across West, Mid-, Southwest and Southeast Essex. The selected provider is an existing provider in one of these regions. This service shall be provided between 1 June 2025 and 30 June 2031.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality and Innovation / Weighting: 35

Quality criterion - Name: Value / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Integration, collaboration and service sustainability / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Improving Access, reducing health inequalities, and facilitating choice / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 10

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: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2025/S 000-000124](#)

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

21 March 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

North East London NHS Foundation Trust

Trust Head Office CEME Centre, West Wing Marsh Way

Rainham, Essex

RM13 8GQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH3 - Essex

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £3,247,899

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 standstill period begins on the day after the publication of this notice. Representations by providers must be made to the authority by 2 April 2025. 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.

Representations can be sent in writing to: rizwan.sher@essex.gov.uk

Award decision makers: Cabinet Member for Social Care, Health and Integration in consultation with the Head of Public Health and Wellbeing

Conflicts of interest identified among the evaluation team: 1.

The non-conflicted members have assessed the nature and risk of this conflict, and have decided the following steps to take to avoid or manage it. Exclusion of the nominated evaluator from the scoring panel and replacement with another, non-conflicted member.

The chosen provider was selected due to achieving the highest scores across the key criteria used. The provider has been assessed and passed against the relevant key criteria and basic selection criteria.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Essex County Council

Chelmsford

Country

United Kingdom