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Non-Emergency Patient Transport Services - On the Day, Patient Discharge and (inter hospital) Transfer Activity to Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

NHS Bristol North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Bristol North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board

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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

Non-Emergency Patient Transport Services - On the Day, Patient Discharge and (inter hospital) Transfer Activity to Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Commissioners within the Bristol, North Somerset, and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care System have explored their options for the provision of Non-Emergency Patient Transport Services (NEPTS) for the population registered with a General Practice within the locality. The services were reviewed in 3 distinct categories:

1. Haemodialysis Car Service
2. Planned NEPTS
3. Patient Discharge and (inter-hospital) Transfers

Through their appraisal of services, the Commissioners agreed that the Haemodialysis Car Service and Planned NEPTS would be contracted by NHS BNSSG ICB. This procurement process has been advertised and tenders were submitted on or before 12:00 midday on 17th April 2023. The contract commencement for these services will be 1st April 2024 at the expiration of the current contract.

A further agreement was reached which will result in Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care Board (BNSSG ICB) appointing University Hospital Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust (UHBW NHS Foundation Trust) as the Co-ordinating Lead Commissioner with the responsibility of procuring and managing the third element: On the day journeys, Patient Discharge and (inter-hospital) Transfers. The procurement will be carried out by UHBW NHS Foundation Trust, and supported by North Bristol NHS Trust, on behalf of BNSSG ICB, for the Integrated Care System. The expectation is that a procurement

exercise will be undertaken for contract commencement of 1st April 2024 (following the expiry of the current NEPTS contract). The successful provider for the Patient Discharge and (inter-hospital) Transfers will contract directly with UHBW NHS Foundation Trust, through a sub-contract arrangement, via the NHS Standard Contract. The duration of the agreement will be for any period up to 60 months, with an option to extend up to a further 24 months at the discretion of the Commissioners.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Lowest offer: £10,500,000 / Highest offer: £14,700,000 taken into consideration

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34114122 - Patient-transport vehicles

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

Main site or place of performance

Bristol, North Somerset, and South Gloucestershire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

It is envisaged that the duration of the agreement will be for 60 months, with an option to extend up to a further 24 months at the discretion of the Commissioner.

II.2.14) Additional information

The services are healthcare services falling within Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ("the Regulations") which are not subject to the full regime of the Regulations, but are instead governed by the "Light Touch Regime" contained within Chapter 3, Section 7 of the Regulations (Regulations 74 to 77).

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- New works/services, constituting a repetition of existing works/services

Explanation:

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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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

2 May 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

NA

NA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £10,500,000 / Highest offer: £14,700,000 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court in London

London

Country

United Kingdom