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PSR - Most Suitable Provider -Forensics Advocacy Service

East London NHS foundation Trust

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

PSR - Most Suitable Provider -Forensics Advocacy Service

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85312320 - Counselling services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

(This not a call for competition)

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: [2025/S 000-012561](#)

Section VII. Changes

VII.1.2) Text to be corrected in the original notice

Section number

I.1.1.1

Instead of

Text

Forensics Advocacy Service

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Most Suitable Provider (MSP) Intention to Award Notice for the Provision - Forensics Advocacy Service

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II.2.4.1

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