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Planning

Individual Placement Support Service to NHS Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board

NHS Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board

Chippenham

Contact

Donna Harrington

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ35 - South Hampshire

NHS Organisation Data Service

92G

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Buyer's address

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

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Individual Placement Support Service to NHS Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board

Reference number

C351808

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85312500 - Rehabilitation services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This notice is placed as a Prior Information Notice (PIN) to inform the market of NHS Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board (BSW ICB) intention to recommission Individual Placement Support Services. The Commissioner would like to understand the level of provider interest in delivering this service.

Commissioners intend to hold a market engagement event with potential bidders to provide information on the service within BSW and to assist commissioners with shaping their procurement strategy and service specification. This is not a call for competition.

NHS Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board is seeking to secure a Provider who has the capability and capacity to deliver Individual Placement Support in line with the specified requirements.

The service will provide intensive, individual support aiming to help people with a Severe Mental illness (SMI) to gain and retain paid competitive employment with the implementation of the evidenced based IPS employment approach.

The service will be for people aged 18+ with an SMI open to secondary mental health care and also only Primary Care.

The geography covered is Bath, North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire.

The anticipated annual contract value is £710,995 per annum with additional £442,000 Service Development Fund to expand current service delivery into primary care, in line with national requirements

There will be no additional investment.

TUPE is likely to apply.

The Market Engagement Event is expected to be held in a virtual environment at 9:30am until 11am on the 17th April 2025. Further details will be released to interested potential bidders in due course.

Providers wishing to attend the market engagement must express an interest within the e-procurement system and complete an Expression of Interest form.

Completed forms should be submitted no later than 12 noon, 16th April 2025 via the

messaging portal within the e-procurement system.

Interested providers will be able to view this notice via the 'Live Opportunities' list on the e-procurement system, Atamis, available on the following link: <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Once you have found the opportunity (via the search function, using the title or reference number), to gain full access to the relevant information and market engagement questionnaire, you will need to click on 'Register interest' - this will take you to the log-in page.

This exercise is being carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioner.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

7 May 2025

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This notice is an information gathering exercise rather than a call for competition in its own right, and therefore publication or response does not commit the Authority or respondents to a future procurement, nor provide any process exemptions or preferential treatment to any parties expressing an interest. The Authority will not be liable for costs incurred by any interested party in participating in this exercise.

Interested providers will be able to view this opportunity via the live opportunities list on the 'Health Family' e-procurement system, Atamis. Click on 'View our Live Opportunities' from the home page, available on the following link: <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>.

Once you have found the opportunity (via the search function, using the title or reference number), to gain full access to the relevant information and market engagement questionnaire, you will need to click on 'Register interest' - this will take you to the log-in page.

If you are not already registered on the system, you will need to do so before gaining full access to the documentation and to be able to submit your expression of interest questionnaire using the correspondence function within Atamis.

The intention is to award a contract using the competitive process.

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) prior information notice. The 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.