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Planning

Third Sector Infrastructure Support Service with GVS

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership-Procurement Services (hosted by Velindre University NHS Trust)

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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<http://nwssp.nhs.wales/ourservices/procurement-services/>

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object**II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

Third Sector Infrastructure Support Service with GVS

Reference number

CAV-DIR (25-26) 199

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

For a number of years the UHB has funded two Health and Social Care Facilitators, one based with Glamorgan Voluntary Services (GVS) and one with Cardiff Third Sector Council (C3SC).

The Health and Social Care Facilitators play a highly visible role in supporting strategic and operational partnership working between statutory health and care organisations and the local third sector. They provide the conduit for the third sector in relation to national and local health and social care policies and support the involvement of the third sector in the planning and delivery of services. The Health and Social Care Networks that they facilitate in Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan provide workshops, training and newsletters as well as a focal point for third sector consultation and engagement. There is an expectation that the Facilitators in the two CVCs will work closely to provide co-ordinated and cohesive input and support to the UHB and wider regional partnership agenda wherever appropriate.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £59,897

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The posts enable us to engage effectively with the third sector across Cardiff and the Vale, allowing us to understand the landscape of the third sector and also act as central contacts for us to share information or receive feedback. This is key as part of our general engagement as a health board.

The posts provide a huge contribution to our commitment to support the third sector, including:

- Enabling other Third Sector organisations to grow and develop;
- Supporting individual volunteers and collective voluntary action;
- Promoting good and safe governance across the Third Sector;
- Supporting Public Service design and delivery;
- Providing voice and representation of the wider sector; and
- Sharing good practice and innovation.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

16 February 2026

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: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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