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Contract

## **Medical Cover for Intermediate Care Beds in Sefton**

NHS Cheshire & Merseyside Integrated Care Board

F03: Contract award notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

NHS Cheshire & Merseyside Integrated Care Board

No 1 Lakeside, 920 Centre Park

Warrington

WA1 1QY

#### **Contact**

Helen Graham

#### **Email**

[mlcsu.tendersnorth@nhs.net](mailto:mlcsu.tendersnorth@nhs.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKD61 - Warrington

## **NHS Organisation Data Service**

QYG

### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk](http://www.cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk)

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Medical Cover for Intermediate Care Beds in Sefton

Reference number

WHISP-196

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85120000 - Medical practice and related services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

NHS Midlands and Lancashire CSU is supporting NHS Cheshire & Merseyside Integrated Care Board who has appointed a provider of Medical Cover for Intermediate Care Beds for

Sefton Place (Southport & Formby only).

This service is to provide primary care support to medically optimised patient as part of the intermediate care multidisciplinary team. This includes patients who have been stepped down from the acute hospital trust and patients who have been stepped up via the two-hour urgent care response service.

This cover will be provided five days per week from 0800 to 1830. Delivery will include ward round reviews, plus on-call arrangements for the management of those patients who have deteriorated and are at risk of hospital admission. This will be for a total of forty-six beds over two to three locations. The service will engage with multidisciplinary process and interface with secondary care, community geriatrician, pharmacy, and community services to ensure patient safety and manage patient flow. Thirty five of the forty-six were subject to a procurement exercise at the same time as the Medical Cover procurement.

#### **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: £1,500,000

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD73 - Sefton

Main site or place of performance

Southport & Formby area of Sefton Place.

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

NHS Midlands and Lancashire CSU is supporting NHS Cheshire & Merseyside Integrated Care Board who has appointed a provider of Medical Cover for Intermediate Care Beds for Sefton Place (Southport & Formby only).

The procurement took place in the financial year 2023-24 using the Light Touch Regime of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.

The contract commenced on 1st April 2024 for an initial period of 3 years with the option

to extend for a further 2-year period. The value of the contract is £300,000 per annum with a total value of £1,500,000 over the 5-year period.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Service Delivery / Weighting: 28

Quality criterion - Name: Quality and Governace / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Workforce / Weighting: 12

Quality criterion - Name: IM&T / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Information Governance / Weighting: 6

Quality criterion - Name: Equalities / Weighting: 4

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Financial Model and Financial Risk / Weighting: 25

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

An F02: Contract notice was published on 2nd October 2023, notice number 2023/S 000-028947.

Due to the changes in the Find a Tender Notice Services, it has not been possible to link this F03: Contract Award Notice to the F02: Contract Notice.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## **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**

9 January 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Primary Care 24 (Merseyside) Ltd

4-6 Enterprise Way, Wavertree Technology Park

Liverpool

L13 1FB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD72 - Liverpool

Mutuals Public Register

29958R

Internet address

[www.primarycare24.org.uk](http://www.primarycare24.org.uk)

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £1,500,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,500,000

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

This procurement is for Social and other specific services which are Light Touch Regime services for the purpose of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 as specified in Schedule 3 of the Regulations ('Regulations')

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2015/102/schedule/3/made>

Accordingly, the Contracting Authority is only bound by those parts of the Regulations detailed in Chapter 3 Particular Procurement Regimes Section 7

<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2015/102/part/2/chapter/3/made>

The Contracting Authority is not voluntarily following any other part of the Regulations. The only selection for type of Procedure was "Open" and the Contracting Authority wishes to clarify that this is not a Open procedure but "Other" procedure under the

Light Touch Regime. The procedure which the Contracting Authority is following is set out in the procurement documents.

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As the Integrated Care Board (ICB) is a relevant body for the purpose of the National Health Service (Procurement, Patient Choice and Competition) (No 2) Regulations 2013 these Regulations also apply to this procurement.

Right to Cancel: The Contracting Authority reserves the right to discontinue the procurement process at any time, which shall include the right not to award a contract or contracts and does not bind itself to accept the lowest tender, or any tender received, and reserves the right to award a contract in part, or to call for

new tenders should it consider this necessary The Contracting Authority shall not be liable for any costs or expenses incurred by

any candidate or tenderer in connection with the completion and return of the information requested in this Contract Notice, or in the completion or submission of any tender, irrespective of the outcome of the competition or if the competition is cancelled or postponed.

Transparency: The Contracting Authority is subject to the Freedom of Information Act

2000 (FOIA) and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR) and may be required to disclose information received in the course of this procurement

under FOIA or the EIR. In addition, and in accordance with the UK Government's policies on transparency, the contracting authority intends to publish procurement documentation and the

text of any resulting contractual arrangements, subject to possible redactions at the discretion of the Contracting Authority.

Any redactions, whether in relation to information requests under FOIA, the EIR or policies on transparency will be in accordance with those grounds prescribed under the Freedom of Information Act. If and when this requirement is offered to tender, this will be done via electronic means using the internet. Midlands and Lancashire CSU is conducting this procurement exercise as a central purchasing body for another NHS body with whom the successful bidder(s) will enter into contracts for the supply of the services.

Any other public-sector body detailed within this notice, wishing to access the contract may do so only with permission from the contracting NHS body.

## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

NHS Cheshire & Merseyside Integrated Care Body

No 1 Lakeside, 920 Centre Park

Warrington

WA1 1QY

Country

United Kingdom