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**Planning** 

# Mental Health Individual Placement and Support (IPS) Employment Support Services

**Essex County Council** 

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

### I.1) Name and addresses

**Essex County Council** 

County Hall, Market Road

Chelmsford

CM1 1QH

#### Contact

Ms Lorna Venters

#### **Email**

Lorna.Venters@essex.gov.uk

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

### Region code

UKH3 - Essex

### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.essex.gov.uk/

Buyer's address

https://www.essex.gov.uk/

# 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

General public services

## **Section II: Object**

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Mental Health Individual Placement and Support (IPS) Employment Support Services

Reference number

DN722320

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

85000000 - Health and social work services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

This Prior Information Notice is being issued to inform the market that Essex County Council will be hosting a virtual market engagement event on MS Teams on Wednesday 15th May 2024 at 11:00am to discuss the upcoming re-procurement of the Mental Health Individual Placement and Support (IPS) Employment Support Services.

Any interested parties should register an interest to attend this event and email <a href="Lorna.Venters@essex.gov.uk">Lorna.Venters@essex.gov.uk</a> by 12noon on Monday 13th May 2024, with your contact (email) details in order to receive the MS Teams invitation to the event. The Authority wish to limit attendance to a maximum of two people from the same organisation.

Attendance or non-attendance does not bestow an advantage or disadvantage on any provider when the competitive tender process commences later this year.

Please note that the decision of whether or not the contract will be divided into Lots has yet to be determined.

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No.

#### II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

#### **NUTS** codes

• UKH3 - Essex

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

The session on 15th May 2024 aims to cover discussions about the mental health employment services that Essex County Council currently commissions. The objectives of this event are to:

- Update the market on our current services
- · Share some of our initial thinking and our timeline
- Help us understand the level of market interest in the service
- Provide potential suppliers an opportunity to ask us questions

The publication of this Notice does NOT represent a commencement of the tender process,

an attempt to reduce overall tender timescales, a call for competition or a partial release of

the tender documentation.

#### II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

To be advised later in the year.

### II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

22 September 2024

# **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