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Contract

Somerset CCG - Social Prescribing Link Worker Services

NHS Somerset Clinical Commissioning Group

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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UKK - South West (England)

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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

Somerset CCG - Social Prescribing Link Worker Services

Reference number

WA11016

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Somerset Clinical Commissioning Group (SCCG) will be formalising their Social Prescribing Model which included the provision of Health Coaches and Social Prescribing Link Workers across the whole county.

SCCG and the Somerset Primary Care Networks (PCNs) have agreed to jointly fund the model and ensure an equitable baseline level of these roles is available across all PCN Areas.

SCCG with the agreement of Primary Care Committee created a county wide specification and undertook a process with nominated local providers. It was deemed that this approach was considered to be both in the public interest and in the interest of the local system because the SPLW services are only effective when they have acquired extensive local knowledge, developed high levels of trust with community groups and strong and high trust relationships with other local health and care teams. The contract term is 3 years with the possible extension of any period up to a further 2 years at the discretion of the Commissioner.

The commissioner believes that that the current providers are the only providers capable of meeting their needs in each of the locality and are best placed to continue to build upon work already done with existing health, social care, Council and local community providers.

The Services are healthcare services within the meaning and scope of the Public Contracts

Regulations 2015. The Commissioner has voluntarily advertised this notice of intention to award this contract to reach as wide an audience as possible and to promote transparency and in line with regulation 32(2)(b)(ii). The Commissioner is firmly of the view that competition is absent for technical reasons, that the organisations listed above are the only provider capable of meeting the CCG's needs within specific localities for the reasons detailed above.

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: £1,049,775

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85140000 - Miscellaneous health services
- 85323000 - Community health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK - South West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

In line with regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) competition is absent for technical reasons

II.2.14) Additional information

Somerset Clinical Commissioning Group (SCCG) is looking to formalise a Social Prescribing Model which included the provision of Health Coaches and Social Prescribing Link Workers across the whole county.

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Social Prescribing Link Workers (SPLW) have been recognised both at a national and local

level as an important group of staff that connect people and resources in a local community. SPLW's achieve this through the adoption of a strength-based, solution-focused approach. These approaches allow SPLW's to help people resolve the wide range of non-medical issues that so commonly affect people's health and wellbeing.

The context and history of hosting SPLWs or similar roles in Somerset is different to that of Health Coaches in that a wider number of local partner organisations have been involved. Some of these arrangements have taken a long time to establish, have been working well and would be in the public interest to continue, particularly in a Covid/post-Covid era. SPLWs and Health Coaches will positively contribute to multiagency team working in each PCN area.

As such SCCG with the agreement of Primary Care Committee created a county wide specification and undertook a process with nominated local providers. It was deemed that this approach was considered to be both in the public interest and in the interest of the local system because the SPLW services are only effective when they have acquired extensive local knowledge, developed high levels of trust with community groups and strong and high trust relationships with other local health and care teams. The process involved asking each PCN for their view of any local organisations with the right experience, relationships and history of collaborative working with them. This organisation was then invited to a process to test out their ability to deliver services over a 3 year contract period with the possible extension of any period up to a further 2 years at the discretion of the Commissioner.

The outcome of the process is that 2 contracts will be awarded for the PCN areas of:

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Yeovil

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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

20 July 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Symphony Healthcare Services

Central Office, Wincanton Health Centre, Dykes Way, Wincanton, Somerset, BA9 9FQ

Somerset

BA9 9FQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK - South West (England)

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £242,670

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Oaklands Surgery

Birchfield Road, Yeovil, Somerset, BA21 4RL

Yeovil

BA214RL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK - South West (England)

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £645,325

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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