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Tender

Sussex Medicines Optimisation in Care Homes Service - NHS/SOEPS/21.840 - ITT

NHS West Sussex Clinical Commissioning Group
NHS East Sussex Clinical Commissioning Group
NHS Brighton and Hove Clinical Commissioning Group

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-017250

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex

Internet address(es)

Main address

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I.1) Name and addresses

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I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Brighton and Hove Clinical Commissioning Group

Hove Town Hall, Norton Road

Hove

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKJ21 - Brighton and Hove

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.brightonandhoveccg.nhs.uk/>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/soepscommissioning.aspx/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/soepscommissioning.aspx/Home>

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

Sussex Medicines Optimisation in Care Homes Service - NHS/SOEPS/21.840 - ITT

Reference number

NHS/SOEPS/21.840 - ITT

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £10,005,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Brighton & Hove

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ21 - Brighton and Hove

Main site or place of performance

Brighton & Hove CCG area.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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In summary the service aims to proactively support people living in Care Homes to achieve better healthcare outcomes through optimal handling and use of medicines. The scope of the MOCH service has been developed by the Contracting Authorities and is defined fully in the service specifications that form part of the tender documents for this procurement.

The service will ensure

- A MOCH pharmacist and pharmacy technician will be available to care homes and the wider EHCH Multi-Disciplinary Team for support and advice Monday-Friday (excluding bank holidays) during business hours.
- Rational and safe use of medicines, this can be achieved through but is not limited to Structured Medication Reviews (SMRs).
- Appropriate medicines optimisation and medicines use to support the reduction of workload of General Practitioners (GPs) and other MDT members.

- That residents and/or their families/representatives or carers are given the opportunity to be fully involved in decisions about their medicines
- Lead on the implementation of safe medicines optimisation systems in care homes that also support waste reduction initiatives and medicines inefficiency.
- Support for residents and care home staff as part of the transfer of care process including timely identification of residents requiring medicines optimisation support when moving between health and social care providers and sectors.

In addition, MOCH teams will be expected to provide strategic leadership to their MDT, place and wider EHCH Programme Board including:

- Advising on the processes for safe transfer of care around medicines use when residents are moving between sectors.
- Supporting care homes to identify and improve their medicines optimisation processes, systems, and training needs for care home staff.
- Supporting pharmacy workforce development - including the provision of Pharmacist and Pharmacy Technician trainee rotations for the specialism.
- In collaboration with system partners lead innovation for the development and implementation of effective MOCH initiatives across Sussex.

There are a total of 19,776 beds across 764 care homes in Sussex. The breakdown by place is:

Sussex CCGs Brighton & Hove East Sussex West Sussex

Total Homes 94 308 362

Total Beds* 2065 7848 9863

Note that care homes and beds available may change. This information is correct as at November 2021.

Estates/Facilities = At provider's expense within the financial allocation

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,940,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Start date

1 February 2023

End date

31 January 2028

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

East Sussex

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex

Main site or place of performance

East Sussex CCG area.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £3,675,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Start date

1 February 2023

End date

31 January 2028

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

West Sussex

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex

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West Sussex CCG area.

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II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £4,390,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement

Start date

1 February 2023

End date

31 January 2028

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2022/S 000-006472](#)

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

15 August 2022

Local time

5:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Please note: NHS England and Improvement have announced that the Sussex Health and Care Partnership, which is made up of all health and care organisations across East Sussex, West Sussex, and Brighton and Hove, has successfully met the criteria to become an Integrated Care System (ICS). An ICS is a way of working across health and care organisations that allows them to work closer together, to take collective responsibility of the health and wellbeing of populations across large areas.

It is not anticipated that the statutory responsibility or accountability of the individual health and care organisations working as an ICS will be affected, save for the expectation that CCG organisations will be abolished and functions transferred to the ICS. As a result of these intended healthcare reforms, the Contracting Authority, currently, NHS East Sussex CCG, NHS West Sussex CCG, NHS Brighton & Hove CCG, will change on 1st July, 2022 to NHS Sussex.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Refer to South of England Procurement Services to trigger the review process. This process

can be further

escalated to NHS Improvement.

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