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## **Economic Inactivity Trailblazer for patients with musculoskeletal condition**

NHS North Central London Integrated Care Board

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

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

NHS North Central London Integrated Care Board

Laycock St

London

N1 1TH

#### **Email**

[hub.queries@nhs.net](mailto:hub.queries@nhs.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKI43 - Haringey and Islington

## **NHS Organisation Data Service**

QMJ

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

Main address

<https://nclhealthandcare.org.uk/icb/about/>

### **I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

### **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**

Economic Inactivity Trailblazer for patients with musculoskeletal condition

Reference number

PRJ2178

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

NHS North Central London Integrated Care Board (NCL ICB) in partnership with West London Alliance are seeking to deliver Economic Inactivity trailblazer across 12 North London Boroughs, including 4 in NCL: Haringey, Islington, Camden and Barnet (the subject of this notice).

This Prior Information Notice (PIN) serves as the intention to follow the Most Suitable Provider (MSP) process.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £2,831,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

Main site or place of performance

There will be a requirement for the service to be delivered in physical sites across 4 Boroughs: Haringey, Islington, Camden and Barnet

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

The trailblazer aims to deliver Community Appointment Days in each Borough in partnership with the NHS, inviting patients with a musculoskeletal condition to receive clinical and psychosocial support to assist their return to work. For patients who are economically inactive, these Days will be followed up with trailblazer 1:1 coaching support from coaches trained in health coaching, pain management and employment support, plus intensive clinical interventions as required and appropriate to the specific MSK condition. For patients of other employment status, the WorkWell programme will follow up attendees of the Appointment Days with 1:1 coaching support and light touch health interventions as

required.

To deliver this Test and Learn initiative, NHS NCL ICB seeks to appoint a suitable provider who can deliver the unique combination of the Community Appointment Days, timely and intense specialist clinical support as required for specific MSK conditions, plus the specialist employment and health coaching .

In addition to meeting the requirements of the PSR Key criteria of assessment, the successful provider will evidence the ability to deliver to the ICB model by working with and potentially subcontracting any clinical elements to Health care providers such as NHS Trusts.

The trailblazer will deliver a one-year test and learn programme offering up to 6 months support for individual participants. The service must therefore be established and ready to deliver no later than June 2025, including project management and administration to enable a schedule of Community Appointment Days across all 4 Boroughs, a team of trained work and health coaches and a team of specialist MSK clinicians able to deliver MSK interventions as required. The provider must have in place appropriate data sharing and CRM arrangements to enable DWP reporting and monitoring. The provider must also be willing to deliver to DWP grant requirements, including funding the service upfront with payment at least 3 months in arrears. It is expected that 50% of the payment will be based on results/outcome measures.. There is no funding to continue the service after 31 Mar 2026. This Prior Information Notice (PIN) serves as the intention to follow the Most Suitable Provider (MSP) process. For enquiries please contact [hub.queries@nhs.net](mailto:hub.queries@nhs.net) using reference number PRJ-2178, prior to midnight on 12 May 2025. The estimated value of the contract at II.1.5) is inclusive of any applicable VAT.

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

30 May 2025

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## **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

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

Detail of award decision makers: The procurement route was approved by NCL ICB Procurement Oversight Group.