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Contract

Services to support the delivery of Paediatric Exodontia and Adult Special Care Dental Services

WIRRAL COMMUNITY HEALTH AND CARE NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05092f

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKD74 - Wirral

NHS Organisation Data Service

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Internet address(es)

Main address

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

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

Services to support the delivery of Paediatric Exodontia and Adult Special Care Dental Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85130000 - Dental practice and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Provision of surgery theatre sessions, inclusive of anaesthetist, theatre team admission team and consumables to the Trust, in order for a dentist and support team from the Trust to attend and operate on their patients

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: £620,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD74 - Wirral

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

From April 1st, 2025, the Trust was awarded the contracts to deliver Paediatric Exodontia Services and Adult and Paediatric Special Care dentistry in Wirral.

The purpose of paediatric exodontia and special care dentistry is to provide specialist oral healthcare for adults and children from birth to adolescence whose needs cannot be managed by their general dental practice (GDP).

This includes adults, children and young people (CYP):

- with extensive oral disease,
- whose oral health care is complicated by intellectual, medical, physical, social, psychological and/or emotional factors/disability.
- with developmental disorders of the teeth and mouth.
- who are either too anxious or too young to accept routine dental treatment

Dental treatment under general anaesthetic (DGA) is an essential adjunct to providing care where the surgical intervention is complex or to those adults and children who are cognitively immature, highly anxious or who have a medical condition where general anaesthesia is the most appropriate or only way to deliver dental treatment. In order to meet NHSEI IPC guidance the service must be delivered in a theatre with appropriate ventilation.

To deliver this in Wirral, the Trust has subcontracted Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust to provide facilities and staffing at Arrowe Park to support DGA. Informal arrangements have been in place for many years however an NHS standard subcontract was put in place in 2022/23 which was extended to 2024/25.

The Trust intends to award a contract an existing provider following direct award process C

The intention is that the contract will run from 1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026 at the cost of £310K with the potential to extend for a further 12 months.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: The existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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:

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 do not apply to this award. The publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by midnight on 7th May 2025. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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

23 April 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Wirral University Teaching Hospital

Birkenhead

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD74 - Wirral

NHS Organisation Data Service

RBL

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £620,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £620,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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Written representations should be sent to wchc.wchcpsr@nhs.net

Award decision-makers

Clinical Director, Specialised Dental Services

Head Finance Officer

Head of Procurement

Deputy Director of Contracts & Commissioning

Interim Chief Finance Officer

No-one declared conflicts or potential conflicts of interest.

Key Criteria used for this service are as below:

Criterion Weighting (out of 100)

Quality and innovation 30

Value 10

Integration, Collaboration and

service sustainability 20

Improving access, reducing health

inequalities, and facilitating choice 30

Social Value 10

Key Criterion 1. Quality and innovation

Score 4 Weighting 30 Total 24

Key Criterion 2. Value

Score 3 Weighting 10 Total 6

Key Criterion 3

Integration, collaboration and service sustainability

Score 4 Weighting 20 Total 16

Key Criterion 4

Improving access, reducing health inequalities and facilitating choice

Score 4 Weighting 30 Total 24

Key Criterion 5. Social value

Score 4 Weighting 10 Total 8

Total 78/100

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Independent Patient Choice and Procurement Panel

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

In the first instance representations should be made to wchc.wchcpsr@nhs.net