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Contract

## **Care at the Chemist & On Demand Access to Palliative Care Medicines - Halton**

NHS CHESHIRE AND MERSEYSIDE INTEGRATED CARE BOARD

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-050aa9

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

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

NHS CHESHIRE AND MERSEYSIDE INTEGRATED CARE BOARD

No 1 Lakeside 920, Centre Park

Warrington

WA11QY

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKD61 - Warrington

**NHS Organisation Data Service**

QYG

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**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**

Care at the Chemist & On Demand Access to Palliative Care Medicines - Halton

Reference number

24-25-QYG-01F-CATC/ODAP

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85100000 - Health services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

(CATC) The contracted pharmacy will provide advice and support to people on the management of minor ailments from the agreed formulary, including where necessary, the

supply of medicines for the treatment of the minor ailment, for those people who would have otherwise gone to their GP for a prescription.

Where appropriate the pharmacy may sell OTC medicines to the person to help manage the minor ailment, as described in the Community Pharmacy Contractual Framework, Essential Service- Support for Self-Care.

The pharmacy will operate a triage system, including referral to other health and social care professionals, where appropriate.

(ODAP) Community Pharmacies participating in this service will hold and maintain an agreed stock of medication for the ODAP service that they are commissioned to deliver.

Patients entering the dying phase of a terminal illness often experience new or worsening symptoms including, pain, nausea, vomiting, agitation, increased respiratory tract secretions and dyspnoea. Prompt access via this service to medication to alleviate these symptoms is essential to avoid distress to both patients and their carers and supports the patient's choice to die in their preferred place of care.

#### **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: £5,160

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKD71 - East Merseyside

Main site or place of performance

Various pharmacy sites across Halton

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

NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB awarded a one year contract via Direct Award A to selected Halton pharmacies across Cheshire and Merseyside. The contract commenced on 1st April

2024 and will expire on the 31st March 2025.

A fee of £2.00 will be paid for each consultation undertaken as part of the service.

A fee of £0.95 will be paid for each item dispensed as part of the service.

The Pharmacy will be reimbursed for the medication supplied under the 'CATC' service according to the current dm+d price.

Where patients are not exempt from prescription charges and have paid the NHS Levy to the Pharmacy, such sums will be deducted from the relevant month's remuneration.

ODAP - an annual retention fee of £1000 as well as remuneration for medicines.

The contract value is approximately £5160 and is subject to change due to being an activity based contract.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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## **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) confirmation of contract award notice. This contract has been awarded under 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.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

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### **Title**

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A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

12 March 2024

#### **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**

PCT Healthcare Ltd (Peak Pharmacy)

51-53 Church Street

Runcorn

WA7 1LG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD71 - East Merseyside

NHS Organisation Data Service

FXD72

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £2,580

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12 March 2024

### **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**

Cookes Healthcare Ltd (Widnes Late Night Pharmacy)

Peel House Lane

Widnes

WA8 6TE

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD71 - East Merseyside

NHS Organisation Data Service

FP895

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: £2,580

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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On the 12th of March 2024 the Finance, Investment, Resources Committee approved this decision.

Two committee members have a standing  
declaration of interest. The decision to award was  
made in line with the Conflict of Interest policy.

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

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