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Contract

Halton Place - Care at the Chemist & Community Pharmacy Dispensing for Community Urgent Eyecare Service & On Demand Access to Palliative Care Medicines

NHS CHESHIRE AND MERSEYSIDE INTEGRATED CARE BOARD

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS CHESHIRE AND MERSEYSIDE INTEGRATED CARE BOARD

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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

Section II: Object**II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

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Reference number

25-26-QYG-01F-CATC/CUES/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.

(CUES) A Community Pharmacy Dispensing Service for CUES is commissioned from Halton community pharmacies to improve access and choice for people with minor eye conditions who

seek advice and treatment via CUES, by providing the appropriate medicines at NHS expense.

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: £7,950

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 has awarded a one year contract via Direct Award A to selected Halton pharmacies across Cheshire and Merseyside.

The contract commenced on 1st April 2025 and will expire on the 31st March 2026.

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.

CUES - NHS Cheshire and Merseyside Halton Place will pay participating pharmacy contractors a professional service fee of £4 for each item dispensed to an individual patient, under the terms of this service in addition to the agreed reimbursement price plus VAT, as set out in DM&D, for the product or products supplied.

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

The contract value is approximately £7950 and is

subject to change due to being an activity based contract. Funding is based on the delivery of the activity as specified within the service specification.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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) 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

Section V. Award of contract

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A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

19 November 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

Asda Stores Ltd

West Lane

Runcorn

WA7 2PY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD71 - East Merseyside

NHS Organisation Data Service

FMJ67

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: £2,650

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Asda Stores Ltd

Widnes Road

Widnes

WA8 6AH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD71 - East Merseyside

NHS Organisation Data Service

FWD06

The contractor is an SME

No

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Strachan's Chemist

445 Hale Road

Widnes

WA8 8UU

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)

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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On the 19th of November 2024 the Finance, Investment, Resources Committee approved this decision.

One committee member has 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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