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Contract

## **North Northamptonshire Council Independent Advocacy Service for North Northamptonshire**

North Northamptonshire Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract award notice

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

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

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#### **Contact**

North Northamptonshire Procurement Team

#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.northnorthants.gov.uk](http://www.northnorthants.gov.uk)

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/nnc>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

North Northamptonshire Council Independent Advocacy Service for North Northamptonshire

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

North Northamptonshire Council is seeking a provider to procure an Independent Advocacy Service for Adults and Young People (16-17 who are undergoing a needs assessment and are in transition to adulthood) living in North Northamptonshire.

This includes Individuals staying in North Northamptonshire hospitals, and those residing at Five Wells Prison. The Service is completely independent from the Council Independent advocacy enables Individuals to have as much control as possible over their own lives. Independent advocates are completely neutral and impartial from the Council and Health and Social Care services. This helps to prevent a possible conflict of interest, which is particularly relevant for Individuals that require an advocate. The independent advocate does not make any direct decisions for the person they are supporting; instead, they provide them with all the necessary information so that they can make an informed decision themselves. If the Individual does not have the mental capacity to make an informed decision, then it is possible for an independent advocate to speak on their behalf. As a result, the independent advocate is an important spokesperson for the Individual, advising them on their rights and making sure their wishes are carried out (where possible).

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKF25 - North Northamptonshire

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## **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: [2023/S 000-003359](#)

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

A contract/lot is awarded: No

### **V.1) Information on non-award**

The contract/lot is not awarded

Other reasons (discontinuation of procedure)