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Contract

## Individual Placement Support

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership-Procurement Services (hosted by Velindre University NHS Trust)

F03: Contract award notice

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## Section I: Contracting authority

### I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership-Procurement Services (hosted by Velindre University NHS Trust)

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**NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://nwssp.nhs.wales/ourservices/procurement-services/>

Buyer's address

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221)

**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**

Individual Placement Support

Reference number

HDDA-DA2-25-01

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

Hywel Dda University Health Board (HDUHB) is seeking to establish a single contract with Mind Pembrokeshire for a second year (2025-26), in line with a pilot initiative funded by Welsh Government (WG) and the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) to provide a specialist employment service for adults with disabilities, including mild to moderate health conditions, wellbeing and mental health issues called Individual Placement and Support in Primary Care (IPSPC).

The service, which has been operational since July 2024, will continue to provide key outcomes for the Health Board in terms of supporting people's recovery and improving their health and wellbeing and increasing their opportunities for sustainable paid employment, thus ultimately reducing caseload numbers.

Individual Placement Support is highly specialist and delivery partners must adhere to working its eight (8) key principles:

- To get people into competitive employment in the open labour market
- It is open to all eligible people who want to work
- It tries to find jobs consistent with people's preferences.
- It works quickly (Place, Train and Maintain)
- It brings Employment Specialists into clinical teams.
- Employment Specialists develop relationships with employers based upon a person's work preferences.
- It provides time-limited, individualised support for the person and their employer.
- Access to specialist benefits advice is included.

In line with the funding requirement providers will need to:

- Continue to Provide services to participants

- Undertake Fidelity Reviews during the IPSPC Funding Period
- Have experience of working with individuals with mental health
- Have established employer networks already in place across Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire, and continue to promote the service and establish new links throughout the duration of the service delivery
- Continue to adhere to working in line with the eight (8) key principles of Individual Placement Support
- Have knowledge of the relevant services and established links with locally commissioned services for people with disabilities and health conditions aged 16 years or older to enter work
- Have established relationships with DWP partners across Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire and continue to engage and develop relationships throughout the duration of the service delivery
- The Delivery Partner must have knowledge and links to similar services the health provides (including contractual)
- Have comprehensive knowledge of the local labour market across Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire
- Have established effective working relationships with Mental Health, Local Authority and Primary Health partners Carmarthenshire, Ceredigion and Pembrokeshire

### **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: £500,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

NUTS codes

- UKL14 - South West Wales

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

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

Price

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

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: 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:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (HDUHB) is seeking to establish a single contract with Pembrokeshire and Carmarthen Mind for a second year (2025-26), in line with a pilot initiative funded by Welsh Government and the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP); to provide a specialist employment service for adults with disabilities, including mild to moderate health conditions, wellbeing and mental health issues called Individual Placement and Support in Primary Care (IPSPC).

#### 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 V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract

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

1 April 2025

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

PEMBROKESHIRE AND CARMARTHEN MIND LTD

Mind Pembrokeshire, 2 Perrots Road

Haverfordwest

SA612HD

Telephone

+44 7773802676

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £500,000



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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

(WA Ref:149631)

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

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

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

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United Kingdom