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**Planning** 

# NHSE979 RFI - Sexual Assault Referral Centres - (SARC Services - Cumbria (Contract Ref: C291562)).

NHS England - North East and Yorkshire (Cumbria and North East)

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Prior information notice without call for competition

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

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### Country

**United Kingdom** 

## Region code

UKC - North East (England)

### **NHS Organisation Data Service**

Y63 NORTH EAST AND YORKSHIRE COMMISSIONING REGION

# Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.england.nhs.uk/north-east-yorkshire/contact-us/

Buyer's address

https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome

# I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

North of England Commissioning Support

John Snow House

Co. Durham

DH1 3YG

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# 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

NHSE979 RFI - Sexual Assault Referral Centres - (SARC Services - Cumbria (Contract Ref: C291562)).

Reference number

NHSE979

### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85100000 - Health services

### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

### II.1.4) Short description

NHSE979 SARC Services Request for Information (RFI) across the geographical police force area of Cumbria for NHS England - North East and Yorkshire (Cumbria and North East).

North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) is a care system support organisation hosted by NHS England and is working for and on behalf NHS England - North East and Yorkshire (the Contracting Authority), who are conducting a Request for Information (RFI) exercise in order to gain a better understanding of the capacity and appetite of the market to deliver SARC Service across the geographical police force area of Cumbria.

The provider must provide a high-quality cost-effective service model operating 365(6)/24-7 for adults and children. The service must be flexible, easily accessible and victim centred providing a holistic service which ensures victims of sexual assault, regardless of their protected characteristics, receive timely and appropriate support at the point of crisis in a safe, secure, and confidential environment. The pathway for each individual will commence from the point at which they are referred or make contact with the service as a self-referral. Emotional support at the point of crisis will be provided in a safe, secure, and confidential environment with access to immediate medical care if required. Victims will have the opportunity to undergo a forensic medical examination whether or not they wish to make a formal report to the police at that time.

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The RFI documentation will be accessible from approximately 12:00 Noon on 05 July 2024 and completed RFI responses must be submitted before 12 Noon 19 July 2024.

### 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

UKC - North East (England)

Main site or place of performance

The geographical police force area of Cumbria.

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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# II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 September 2024

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.3) Additional information

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