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Contract

## **Farrier House GP Surgery Worcestershire**

NHS Midlands and Lancashire Commissioning Support Unit on behalf of NHS Herefordshire and Worcestershire Clinical Commissioning Group  
NHS Herefordshire and Worcestershire Clinical Commissioning Group

F03: Contract award notice

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

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## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

## **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**

Farrier House GP Surgery Worcestershire

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

The CCG is looking to award a contract for GP Services Farrier House, based in Worcester to SW Healthcare. SW Healthcare is a Federation of GP Surgeries based in Worcestershire. It is seeking to directly award this contract under Regulation 32 (b) (ii) where competition is unlikely to be financially viable and changing provider at this crucial time in post-pandemic recovery period would be disruptive to patient pathways and not in the patients' interests.

#### **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: £4,424,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKG12 - Worcestershire

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

The CCG is looking to award a contract for GP Services Farrier House Surgery, based in Worcester to SW Healthcare, which is a Federation of GP Surgeries based in Worcestershire. The contract service includes 1) Provision of full GMS Services, 2) Achievement of additional Key performance indicators in the following areas: Access, Patient Engagement, Childhood Vaccinations and Immunisations, Cytology and Flu Vaccinations, Homeless and Vulnerable Housed Service. The current registered population for Farrier House Surgery includes a large proportion of university students.

It is seeking to do a Direct Award under Regulation 32 (b) (ii) where competition is unlikely to be financially viable and changing provider at this crucial time in post-pandemic recovery period would be disruptive to patient pathways and not in the patients' interests.

The CCG is therefore looking to Directly award a contract to SW Healthcare for a period of Five years with an option to extend for a period of 24 months which constitutes an estimated contract value of around £4,424,000. The anticipated go-live date of this contract will be from 1st April 2022. This Direct Award follows on from the current contract which was awarded in April 2021 to SW Healthcare, continuing on from the original competitive procurement awarded in 2015.

### **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 services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

Under the NHS Long Term Plan Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) are working towards a model of more integrated care within Primary Care alongside PCN and GP organisations. This model is still being developed in Herefordshire & Worcestershire. In the light of the current Covid 19 emergency situation, the focus of work is centred around post pandemic recovery. It would be unduly disruptive to the continuity of services for patients and cause substantial duplication of costs for the CCG to undertake a further procurement process at this point in time. It has become necessary therefore for the CCG, under Regulation 32 (b) (ii) to directly award a contract to SW Healthcare to ensure continuity and integrity of pathways during the next few years in post-pandemic recovery and during a period of immense change due to the development of new integrated pathways within the GP and PCN arena in Primary Care. Regulation 32 (b) (ii) states..>”where competition is absent for technical reasons...”The CCG does not feel that competition for this service exists at a viable financial level. The Fall-out from the pandemic emergency has now changed to post pandemic recovery efforts and this requires a focus on crucial resources to regain pre-pandemic levels of service and care. To change provider and pathways at this point would not be in the patients’ interests.

#### 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**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

13 August 2021

#### **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**

SW Healthcare Ltd

Droitwich Medical Centre, Ombersley Street East

Droitwich Spa

WR9 8RD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG12 - Worcestershire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £4,424,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

Light Touch Regime' services: This procurement is for clinical services which are Light Touch Regime Services for the purpose of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 as specified in Schedule 3 of the regulations ('Regulations'). Accordingly, the contracting authorities are only bound by those parts of the regulations detailed in Chapter 3 Particular Procurement Regimes Section 7. The contracting authorities

are not voluntarily following any other part of the Regulations.

As the CCG is a relevant body for the purpose of the National Health Service (Procurement, Patient Choice and Competition) (No. 2) Regulations 2013 these Regulations also apply to this procurement.

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

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

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