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Contract

## **SNEE Covid-19 Oral Antiviral Treatment Service**

NHS Suffolk and North East Essex ICB

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-020928

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-047bf0

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKH34 - Essex Haven Gateway

**NHS Organisation Data Service**

QJG

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://suffolkandnortheastessex.icb.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/snee-icb/asp/Home>

**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**

SNEE Covid-19 Oral Antiviral Treatment Service

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

The aim of this service is to provide the clinical infrastructure to support the safe, timely and appropriate dispensing of antiviral medication for the treatment of Covid-19 for non-hospitalised patients across Suffolk and North East Essex. The service is designed to ensure choice and prompt access to these medicines in the community setting for eligible patients when they are required at all times whilst the pharmacies are open. Each provider will stock a minimum of THREE packs of each antiviral medication (or higher based on local demand) and will make a commitment to ensure eligible patients have prompt access to these medicines to facilitate treatment within 5 days of the onset of symptoms. Patients will receive a full clinical review by a SNEE Covid Management Delivery Unit (CMDU) prescriber and if eligible for treatment, an EPS prescription will be sent to the commissioned community pharmacy, in line with the consent and choice of the patient.

Pharmacists will contact the patient as soon as possible upon receipt of the prescription to confirm consent and clinical suitability for treatment. This discussion is recorded on an electronic platform confirming all checks have been performed to confirm appropriateness of treatment. As appropriate, the pharmacy will make arrangement with the patient/carer for the medication to be collected or delivered.

#### **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: £8,550

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKH14 - Suffolk
- UKH34 - Essex Haven Gateway

Main site or place of performance

Suffolk and North East Essex

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

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Pharmacists will contact the patient as soon as possible upon receipt of the prescription to confirm consent and clinical suitability for treatment. This discussion is recorded on an electronic platform confirming all relevant clinical and pharmaceutical compatibility checks have been performed to confirm appropriateness of treatment. If necessary, the community pharmacist will contact the prescriber to clarify clinical concerns and/or in the event of stock availability issues. Otherwise, as appropriate, the pharmacy will make arrangement with the patient/carer for the medication to be collected or delivered. Deliveries of medication are expected to be in exceptional circumstances but can be arranged and remunerated under this service.

The current contract period was 27-06-2023 to 26-06-2024 with no option to extend. This is an extension for 9 months of that original contract.

NHS Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care Board are awarding the contract named within this notice under the Direct Award C process which is outlined within the

Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. The provider named in this notice is an existing provider and has been reviewed through a Key Criteria assessment to ensure the awarding body is satisfied with current performance and reasonably expects the provider to be able to satisfy the contract which is the subject of this notice. The contract which is the subject of this notice has not changed considerably when compared with the existing / previous contract delivered by the named provider.

The ICB may wish to introduce additional services during the lifetime of the contract ("Contract modifications"). Such contract modifications will be contemplated where additional requirements are similar and or complementary to the services already included in the Specification, at any given time. Such expansion would be by the addition of services commissioned by the Authority as named in the Contract Notice. To this end, after the award of contract, there is a possibility that the contract may be varied as allowable in accordance with the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality` / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

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

Options: No

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard.

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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:

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to 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. The publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by 19th July 2024. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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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**

27 June 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 18

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

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

Belstead Hills Pharmacy

Ipswich

IP2 9LF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

NHS Organisation Data Service

B2F7H

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £475

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

Boots

Clacton-on-sea

CO15 1QN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH3 - Essex

NHS Organisation Data Service

FE590

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Boots

Brandon

IP27 0BU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

NHS Organisation Data Service

FLH14

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Boots

Haverhill

CB9 8AD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

NHS Organisation Data Service

FDG73

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Cavalry Road Pharmacy

Colchester

CO2 7GH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH3 - Essex

NHS Organisation Data Service

FRH62

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Framlingham Pharmacy

Framlingham

IP13 9AY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

NHS Organisation Data Service

DOZ4R

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Guildhall Pharmacy

Bury St Edmuds

IP233 1ET

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

NHS Organisation Data Service

FET80

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Holland Pharmacy

Holland-on-sea

CO15 5UH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH3 - Essex

NHS Organisation Data Service

FAP95

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

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

Island Pharmacy

Colchester

CO5 8QT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH3 - Essex

NHS Organisation Data Service

F2T2C

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Long Melford Pharmacy

Sudbury

CO10 9JL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH3 - Essex

NHS Organisation Data Service

FNQ26

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lords Pharmacy

Newmarket

CB8 8EQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

NHS Organisation Data Service

FA512

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Manor Court Pharmacy

Mildenhall

IP28 7EH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

NHS Organisation Data Service

FHX47

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Martlesham Pharmacy

Ipswich

IP5 3SL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

NHS Organisation Data Service

H5B8J

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Queen Street Pharmacy

Colchester

CO1 2PJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH3 - Essex

NHS Organisation Data Service

FV129

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Walton Pharmacy

Felixstowe

IP11 9DU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

NHS Organisation Data Service

FMp83

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

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

Wickham Market Pharmacy

Wickham Market

IP13 0QU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

NHS Organisation Data Service

P3J6J

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

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

Woodbridge Road Pharmacy

Ipswich

IP4 2PH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

NHS Organisation Data Service

B9H1M

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Woolpit Health Centre

Ipswich

IP30 9QU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

NHS Organisation Data Service

PH348

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to 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. The publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period.

Representations by providers must be made to decision makers by 19th July 2024 (8 working days following publication of intention to award notice). They should be submitted in writing to [procurement@snee.nhs.uk](mailto:procurement@snee.nhs.uk).

This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

Award decision-makers: SNEE ICS Community Pharmacy Commissioning Clinical Lead

No conflicts of interest, or potential conflicts of interest, were declared by any decision makes.

The decision to award this contract in line with Direct Award Process C was based on evaluation against the five required key criteria as follows:

- Quality and Innovation - Assured - SNEE ICB are assured that the provider is delivering a safe and effective service as required by the specification and contract they are currently delivering.
- Value - Assured - SNEE ICB are assured that the provider is delivering value to the integrated care system and the cost of change would not be outweighed by the potential benefit of a new provider.
- Integration, Collaboration and Service Sustainability - Assured - SNEE ICB are assured that the provider is positively impacting on the integrated care system through their integration and collaboration delivered as a requirement of the specification or alternative elements linked to the delivery.
- Improving Access, Reducing Health Inequalities and Facilitating Choice - Assured - SNEE ICB are assured that the provider is meeting needs of the population to ensure equitable access and choice as required by the specification and contract.
- Social Value - Assured - SNEE ICB are assured that the provider is delivering in line

with the SNEE Green Plan, supporting with the implementation of carbon reduction and increase in initiatives which positively impact on the wider determinants of health.

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

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

NHS Suffolk and North East Essex

Aspen House, Stephenson Road, Severalls Business Park

Colchester

CO4 9QR

Country

United Kingdom