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Contract

## **ARC / AHSN regional prioritisation programme 21/23**

NHS England

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0357c9

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

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

NHS England

Quarry House

Leeds

LS2 7UE

#### **Contact**

Commercial Contract Manager

#### **Email**

[aminur.choudhury@nhs.net](mailto:aminur.choudhury@nhs.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/>

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

National or federal Agency/Office

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

## **Section II: Object**

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

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

ARC / AHSN regional prioritisation programme 21/23

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

- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services

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

Services

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

R&D: Evaluation and implementation support for pandemic response innovations

#### **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: £4,200,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

National

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

Research and development (R&D) services which will be provided by the partnership between NIHR Applied Research Collaboratives (ARCs) and the Academic Health Science Networks (AHSNs) between 1/6/2021 and 31/3/2023.

In 20/21 the Accelerated Access Collaborative team at NHSE/NHSI and the Improvement Directorate led Beneficial Changes Network (BCN) commissioned a rapid review of potential high-impact innovations deployed during the pandemic. Alongside the report, NIHR and the AAC team commissioned a review of completed and ongoing research and evaluation activities which mapped promising innovations to the BCN and NHSE/NHSI regional priorities. This was delivered in March 2021 through an ARC/AHSN partnership.

This 21/22 ARC/AHSN regional prioritisation programme aims to further develop the R&D knowledge of innovations deployed during the pandemic. It will task this ARC/AHSN partnership with delivering:

1. A mapping of completed and ongoing evaluations against NHSE/NHSI regional priorities, confirming these priorities with NHSE/NHSI regional leads, medical directors and key stakeholders
2. A gap analysis, identifying where evidence gaps exist and utilising ARC expertise to generate the required evidence
3. An evidence synthesis, identifying where there is sufficient evidence to scale up deployment of the priority innovations and sharing this information across health and care networks and NHSE/NHSI directorates, to inform strategic planning
4. Implementation scale up and evaluation into health and social care settings of innovations which have proven benefit, utilising the AHSNs expertise in spread and adoption.

The programme utilises an existing route to procure through a 'call off' Future Licence for Agreed Services (FLAfS) against the AHSN Master Services Agreement (MSA) 2018-2023.

#### **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:

Contract awarded under Regulation 14 (PCR2015)

#### **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**

17 December 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**

Health Innovation Manchester

Citylabs Campus, Nelson St, Manchester

Manchester

M13 9N

Email

[Ben.Bridgewater@healthinnovationmanchester.com](mailto:Ben.Bridgewater@healthinnovationmanchester.com)

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £4,200,000

Lowest offer: £4,200,000 / Highest offer: £4,200,000 taken into consideration

#### **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract is likely to be subcontracted

Value or proportion likely to be subcontracted to third parties

Value excluding VAT: £3,691,884

Short description of the part of the contract to be subcontracted

Manchester AHSN acts as the lead organisation which NHSEI contracts with. The contract with Manchester AHSN enables them to award up to £3,691,884 to a series of other AHSNs.

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

The High Court

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Email

[generaloffice@administrativecourtoffice.justice.gov.uk](mailto:generaloffice@administrativecourtoffice.justice.gov.uk)

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/courts-tribunals>

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

The High Court

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London

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