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Tender

Provision of Employment Advisers in NHS Talking Therapies Service for North West London

NHS North West London Integrated Care Board

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-03e3cd

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS North West London Integrated Care Board

15 Marylebone Rd,

London

NW1 5JD

Contact

NHS North West London Contracts Team

Email

nhsnwl.contracting@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI32 - Westminster

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

I.3) Communication

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

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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

Provision of Employment Advisers in NHS Talking Therapies Service for North West London

Reference number

C191131

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS NW London ICB is seeking a supplier for the provision of Employment Advisers in NHS Talking Therapies Service for North West London.

NHS Talking Therapies (previously Improving Access to Psychological Therapies - IAPT) is a national programme that aims to relieve distress and transform lives by offering NICE-approved interventions and treatment choice to people with depression and anxiety disorders and by improving the collection, recording and measurement of patients' health outcomes.

This procurement process is subject to the so-called light touch regime as set out in regulations 74-76 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ("PCR") as the procurement concerns health services which are social and other specific services according to the PCR. The Authority is utilising the open procedure under the PCR for this competitive procurement process, but the Authority is only bound by those parts of the PCR that apply to the procurements of social and other specific services.

The contract is due to commence on 18th September 2023 and the initial term ends on 31st March 2025 (maximum value of £4,148,289). The Authority reserves the right to extend the contract for up to eighteen (18) months, beyond the initial expiry on 31st March 2025. The total maximum value, including all extensions is £8,036,772.

To express interest and participate in the tender, please register and apply via Atamis e-

sourcing portal <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>.

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Phone: 0800 9956035

E-mail: support-health@atamis.co.uk

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £8,036,772

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 75200000 - Provision of services to the community
- 85100000 - Health services
- 75200000 - Provision of services to the community

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI7 - Outer London – West and North West

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The overarching aims of the service are to:

- Support people with common mental health needs who are in work but struggling or facing difficulties in the workplace, off work sick or looking for work.

- Work with people using an assets based approach and with trauma informed practice.
- Bring together employment advice and support within NHS Talking Therapies provision.
- Enable therapists and Employment Advisers to work collaboratively to deliver a personalised, trauma-informed and person-centred service to clients based on their individual needs.
- Engage with service users to establish their employment goals, make better decisions about their working lives and communicate better with their colleagues and managers at work.
- Target service user groups who are at higher risk of poor health and wellbeing and socio-economic disadvantage.
- Equity of provision to service users across the protected characteristics and reduce health inequalities.

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60.00%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10.00%

Cost criterion - Name: Pricing / Weighting: 30.00%

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

18 September 2023

End date

31 March 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend the contract for up to eighteen (18) months.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

17 August 2023

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

20 July 2023

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

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<https://www.judiciary.uk/courts-and-tribunals/high-court/>