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Contract

## **Health and Justice Vanguard Project**

West Essex Clinical Commissioning Group

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-021969

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02d441

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

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

West Essex Clinical Commissioning Group

Building 4 Spencer Close, St Margret's Hospital, The Plain

Epping

#### **Email**

[sarah.beaumont@attain.co.uk](mailto:sarah.beaumont@attain.co.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKH35 - West Essex

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.westessexccg.nhs.uk](http://www.westessexccg.nhs.uk)

## **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**

Health and Justice Vanguard Project

Reference number

ACE-0494-2021-West

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

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Following the success of the POWER project across Southend, Essex and Thurrock, West Essex Clinical Commissioning Group have become a vanguard site to apply the framework for integrated care across greater Essex. This provides an opportunity for health, education, social care and health and justice partners to work together to co-design a model across Southend, Essex and Thurrock.

There is a cohort of vulnerable children and young people between the ages of 0-18 with complex needs who experience some of the highest levels of health inequality. The

framework is designed using evidence-informed best practice to integrate and support services in order to intervene earlier in the pathway and stop children and young people's progression into the justice and secure estate, or an unnecessary Tier 4 hospital admission, or other inappropriate out of area placements.

The offer aims to build trauma-informed care and formulation-driven, evidence based whole system approach to providing integrated support and creating change for the most vulnerable.

The key objective for this Vanguard is to improve CYP wellbeing, displaying direct improvement in their mental health, and emotional regulation; especially to flourish in education and learning.

#### **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: £1,266,249

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

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The key objective for this Vanguard is to improve CYP wellbeing, displaying direct improvement in their mental health, and emotional regulation; especially to flourish in education and learning. Our vision is to ensure that children and young people are enabled to lead an improved purpose in life including education, that they are supported by staff to re-enter / remain in mainstream education where appropriate, and to enjoy and achieve through positive learning experiences.

The contract will be for a period of 3-years. Starting on 1st September 2021 and ending on 31st August 2024.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 100

#### **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:

Virgin Care Ltd currently delivers the Children's Pre-Birth - 19 service across Essex. This means that they are already embedded within the Essex system and have the right existing relationships required to make a success of the vanguard from the start. Because of this, they are also in a position to implement and mobilise the service within the timescales defined by NHS England as a condition of the funding.

Given the timebound issues of the funding arrangements it would not be feasible to conduct a procurement process to identify a provider in this instance.

#### 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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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#### IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice

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## Section V. Award of contract

Title

Health and Justice Vanguard Project

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

9 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**

Virgin Care Ltd

The Heath Business and Technical Park, Runcorn

Cheshire

WA7 4QX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD6 - Cheshire

Internet address

<https://virgincare.co.uk>

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,266,249

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

High Court of Justice for England and Wales

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

West Essex Clinical Commissioning Group

Building 4 Spencer Close, St Margaret's Hospital, The Plain

Epping

CM16 6TN

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://westessexccg.nhs.uk>