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Contract

## **Level 2b Neuro Rehabilitation Beds**

NHS Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-047e38

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

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

NHS Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board

Phoenix House, Christopher Martin Road

Basildon

SS14 3HG

#### **Contact**

NHS Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board

#### **Email**

[kevin.edwards@attain.co.uk](mailto:kevin.edwards@attain.co.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKH3 - Essex

**National registration number**

99E

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.midandsouthessex.ics.nhs.uk](http://www.midandsouthessex.ics.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**

Level 2b Neuro Rehabilitation Beds

Reference number

ACE-0768-2024-MSE

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85111400 - Rehabilitation hospital services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

An urgent award is required for continuity of service and safety of patients undergoing rehabilitation. There are limited Level 2b neurological rehabilitation providers within the

East of England, meaning that the beds at these units are highly sought after, with competition from neighbouring ICBs (who currently are charged a higher spot purchase rate than the above MSE ICB spot purchase rate). The urgent award is required in order for MSE ICB to continue to receive the commercially beneficial rates for placements

- The award must be made urgently in order for the residents of MSEICB to access specialist and quality neurological rehabilitation services from providers who are known to deliver good clinical outcomes in the population, and have demonstrated excellent ability to engage in timely discharge processes, supporting the 8-12 week pathway and facilitating flow through acute beds into specialist rehabilitation.
- Delaying the award to conduct a full application of the PSR would be likely to pose a risk to both the patient safety of those requiring Level 2 neuro rehabilitation by delaying their access to the most appropriate care at the most appropriate time in the most appropriate setting. It would also impact patient safety of a wider population by preventing flow from acute beds, impacting on bed occupancy.

Procurement is being developed to include the services from April '25

The contract is for one year from 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025

#### **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: £833,508

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

Main site or place of performance

Ely and St Neots Cambridgeshire

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

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

Quality criterion - Name: to address immediate risks to safety and quality of care /  
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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

This contract has been awarded under the urgent circumstances provision of the Provider Selection Regime (PSR) Regulation 14. This contract has been awarded under 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.'

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The authorising committee for this contract award is Mid and South Essex Integrated Care Board Operational Executive Group.

Conflicts of Interest have been carefully managed in line with the Authority's Conflict of Interest Policy and Governance Handbook along with NHSE COI guidance and the PSR reg 21 and guidance.

#### **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**

### **Title**

Level 2b Neuro Rehabilitation Beds

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

30 April 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

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

Fen House

143 Lynn Road

Ely

CB6 1SD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

National registration number

800797

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £414,648

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The Marbrook Centre

Phoenix Park, Eaton Socon

St. Neots

<https://www.marbrook>

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £418,860

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

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

The Royal Courts of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom