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Planning

(PME) - London Inpatient Detoxification and Stabilisation (IPD) Framework Model

The Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of London

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Scope

Description

Background and Scope

The City of London Corporation is seeking to commission a Lead Provider organisation with demonstrable experience in delivering complex health and social care services to develop and manage a London-wide Inpatient Detoxification and Stabilisation (IPD) Framework Model. This model will support both London residents and individuals who are sleeping rough or at risk of rough sleeping.

Building on the existing Pan-London Substance Misuse Programme, the Lead Provider will help realise the City's ambition to:

- Establish long-term, sustainable, and geographically dispersed IPD provision that effectively meets diverse and complex client needs; and
- Deliver equitable, pan-London access to IPD services for all London Local Authorities.

Estimated Contract Value: £800k - £1.2m per year @ two year contract

Overview of the London Inpatient Detoxification and Stabilisation (IPD)

Framework Model

This initiative represents a significant opportunity to collaborate with partners across London to transform the delivery model for Inpatient Detoxification and Stabilisation (IPD) services. The aim is to create a more accessible, inclusive, and responsive framework that supports health inclusion groups and contributes meaningfully to reducing health inequalities across the capital.

The IPD Framework will enable access to a broad range of IPD units tailored to meet diverse and complex client needs. The appointed Lead Provider will be responsible for developing coordinated working pathways between IPD units and London Local Authorities, ensuring consistency of care and equitable access.

A key feature of the Framework will be the strategic distribution of IPD bedspaces across the country, with a particular emphasis on increasing availability within London.

The model will encompass:

- Specialist inpatient medically assisted withdrawal beds; and
- Residential medically assisted withdrawal beds.

To provide the required stability and guaranteed access, block booking of a proportion of IPD bed capacity will be essential.

The Lead Provider will also design and host an online IPD Framework Portal—an interactive platform enabling Local Authorities, substance misuse services, and service users to explore available provision and make informed choices.

While the initial focus will be on IPD service delivery, there is potential for future expansion of the Framework to include Residential Rehabilitation beds, creating a more integrated pathway of care and recovery.

Total value (estimated)

- £1,200,000 excluding VAT
- £1,440,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2028
- 2 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

Engagement

Engagement deadline

6 June 2025

Engagement process description

Please read the document and, if you feel that your organisation is able to contribute to this Preliminary Market Engagement (PME) exercise, please complete the questionnaire attached to the end of this document and return via the <https://cityoflondon.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/> portal.

Please note that this is not a call for competition.

The following are pertinent to this Preliminary Market Engagement (PME) Questionnaire. Suppliers responding must have:

- An understanding of what the City of London Corporation (“the City”) is aiming to deliver.
- An experience of working with Local Authorities.
- Capability to comply with the Corporation’s requirements for the London IPD Framework Model.
- An excellent approach to customer service,

For the avoidance of doubt, this notice is for the purpose of conducting a Preliminary Market Engagement (PME) exercise and will not formally begin the procurement or constitute any commitment by the City of London Corporation to undertake any procurement exercise.

Participation in the PME will be at each organisations own cost. No expense in responding to this PME will be reimbursed by the City.

Preliminary Market Engagement (PME)

PME in this case is where the City, at an early stage in the development of its proposals but prior to formulating any formal procurement opportunity, seeks input from the market as to what might be the most attractive way of packaging and scoping a future procurement opportunity.

This exercise will provide an opportunity for the City to obtain insight into how participants might approach the delivery of the service in question. It also gives a useful early insight into the likely level of interest in a proposed project from that market.

Participants must also note that a response to this notice does not guarantee an invitation to participate in this or any future procurement that the City may conduct, nor that the City will procure any such supply and services or accept any proposals offered. Any Procurement of the supply and services by the City will be carried out strictly in accordance with the Procurement Act (PA23).

The City has developed a questionnaire (attached at the end of this document) that they would like interested parties to complete.

As stated above, the outcome of the PME exercise will inform an options appraisal with recommendations.

Procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

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