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Contract

Adult Eating Disorder Beds for the East Midlands

NHS England & NHS Improvement - Midlands Region

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Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

Adult Eating Disorder Beds for the East Midlands

Reference number

AG19036

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85111000 - Hospital services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Arden & Greater East Midlands CSU on behalf of NHS England and Improvement – East Midlands (referred to as the Commissioner) invited suitably qualified and experienced providers to deliver Adult Eating Disorder Beds for the East Midlands region.

The provider(s) were required to provide a fully staffed and equipped 15 bed unit in line with the national Adult Eating Disorder in-patient service specification. This unit must be located within the East Midlands geography; in addition, an inpatient eating disorders service should not be an isolated or stand-alone facility and must be located with other mental health services so that there is a critical mass of staff to ensure adequate response team resource.

The contract was for a period of 2 years and 4 months only and the service is expected to commence on 1st December 2021. Bidders were to note, the deadline for ITT submissions was 12 noon on Tuesday 15th June 2021.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKF - East Midlands (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The East Midlands currently has one 15 bedded inpatient unit that caters for adults requiring an inpatient admission for Eating Disorders which is Langley Ward at The Bennion Centre, Glenfield Hospital in Leicester. This is not enough capacity to meet the needs of local patients.

There has been an increase in Adult Eating Disorder admissions from an average of 20 in years 18-19 to 25 in years 19-20 to 30 at month 7 in years 2020-21. Any inpatient beds required over and above 15 beds are currently commissioned out of area. This can mean some patients are placed at a considerable distance from home and leads to delays in admission and longer lengths of stay. The current arrangements present difficulties for patients considered to be complex/those with co-morbidities.

The objectives of this procurement exercise were as follows:

- Reduced waiting times to access suitable inpatient provision
- Admission closer to home
- Improved admission and discharge planning
- Improved patient experience
- Reduced rates of transfer to medical wards during inpatient stays as shorter waiting times will reduce risks of patients becoming medically unstable
- Reduced clinical time spent on seeking beds
- Particular focus on improved access, experience and outcomes for patients requiring treatment for an eating disorder who are considered complex.

Eating disorder inpatient care in the East Midlands is commissioned by a Provider Collaborative from the 1st April 2021. The Lead Provider for the eating disorder Provider Collaborative is Leicestershire NHS Partnership Trust. The contract that would have been

awarded as a result of this procurement process would therefore have been a sub-contract to the Leicestershire Partnership Trust, Lead Provider contract.

The following vision was created by the East Midlands Eating Disorder Provider Collaborative:

“To put service users at the centre of what we do, and provide high quality, locally accessible services across the East Midlands that have seamless connections to inpatient care”.

This agreement would have coincided with the current contract term for the Lead Provider for the Adult Eating Disorders Provider Collaborative. The successful Bidder(s) would have been issued a contract as a result of this procurement as a sub-contract to the Lead Provider Collaborative contract held by Leicestershire NHS Partnership Trust with NHSE/I.

As part of the above contract, the sub-contracted provider would have been required to enter into a Partnership Agreement.

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 IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

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Title

Adult Eating Disorder Beds for the East Midlands

A contract/lot is awarded: No

V.1) Information on non-award

The contract/lot is not awarded

No tenders or requests to participate were received or all were rejected

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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