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Pipeline

## **Southend Day Surgery Unit Managed Services Operator**

Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

175MSEFT

### **Description**

Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust (“the Authority”) is developing a dedicated Day Surgery Unit and 23 hour Ward to re-provide and replace elective surgical capacity and address growing demand and waiting list pressures. The facility will be a ring-fenced, standalone elective care centre connected to the main hospital to ensure access to inpatient services and diagnostics when required.

This model will ensure the delivery of a high-quality, sustainable, and efficient elective surgical service for Mid and South Essex, aligning with national elective recovery priorities.

The Authority is seeking to commission a fully managed service offer, providing the operational management and everything from the equipment to the required minimum specification, equipment installation, maintenance and consumables for NHS clinical teams and potential to contract with the independent and private sector organisations to

use.

The primary objectives of the unit is to:

- Provide a modern fit for purpose environment for day surgery theatres which supports the Authority's strategy for being at the leading edge of surgery (through cutting edge equipment and responsiveness) that allows the maximum benefit for the Mid and South Essex population.
- Implement high-volume, low-complexity surgical pathways in line with Getting It Right First Time (GIRFT) principles.
- Support recruitment and retention by providing a dedicated and purpose-built environment.

The new 1900m<sup>2</sup> facility will form a fully functional, well maintained and operational suite and will comprise:

- 2 Theatres (laminar flow enabled) for a range of elective procedures.
- 1 Enhanced Treatment/Procedure Room for outpatient-based interventions.
- Pre- and post-operative recovery areas, including 8 patient pods and 2 ensuite side rooms.
- General spaces: Waiting, administration, admission and discharge areas, and staff welfare facilities.

The expectation is that the below specialities (in the form of elective day-case and 23-hour stay surgeries) will use the facilities, but this is expected to evolve over the life of the contract:

- ENT
- General Surgery
- Pain Management
- Oral Surgery
- Gynaecology
- Burns and Plastics

- Orthopaedics (excluding complex procedures requiring a clean facility)
- Urology.

In addition to providing the aforementioned services, the managed services operator will be required to enter into a separate lease arrangement for the building with a specialist developer/investor. To enable the funding and delivery of the building, the Authority has appointed a specialist developer to deliver the whole building and the fitout of the ground floor Day Surgery Unit. The funding of the project will require an established leasing structure to be implemented. This will therefore require the managed services operator to enter into lease agreements with the developer/funder.

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 July 2027 to 30 June 2042
- Possible extension to 30 June 2047
- 20 years

### **Main category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 33100000 - Medical equipments
- 33661100 - Anaesthetics
- 33195000 - Patient-monitoring system
- 33111000 - X-ray devices
- 33168000 - Endoscopy, endosurgery devices
- 33192000 - Medical furniture

- 33192160 - Stretchers
- 33162000 - Operating theatre devices and instruments
- 33167000 - Surgical lights
- 31524110 - Operating-theatre lamps
- 31211110 - Control panels
- 51400000 - Installation services of medical and surgical equipment
- 33140000 - Medical consumables

### **Contract locations**

- UKH31 - Southend-on-Sea

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## **Submission**

### **Publication date of tender notice (estimated)**

2 June 2025

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## **Procedure**

### **Above or below total value threshold**

Above or equal to threshold

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## Contracting authority

### Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust

- NHS Organisation Data Service: RAJ

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government