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Contract

Youth Worker Service to Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board

NHS Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board

Jenner House

Chippenham

Email

donnaharrington@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

NHS Organisation Data Service

92G

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://bsw.icb.nhs.uk/>

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

Youth Worker Service to Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board

Reference number

BSWICB0118

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The service places Youth Workers in wards and clinics at the 3 Acute hospitals, playing a crucial role in supporting Children and Young People aged 11-25 years with Long Term Conditions and displaying low -medium level mental health issues. The Youth Workers provide a holistic, compassionate and trauma informed approach, having the time to begin to forge trusting relationships with the CYP that clinical staff may not be able to due to capacity, experience and perceived barriers of uniformed services.

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: £57,500

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85140000 - Miscellaneous health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK14 - Swindon

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NHS Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board ("the ICB") is directly awarding a contract to the existing provider SMASH Youth Project in accordance with the criteria outlined in Regulation (9) of the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023.

The youth worker service will through early intervention and prevention reduce re-attendance in ED for less complex patients

- Through early intervention and prevention reduce re-admissions to hospital
- Improved clinical experience for CYP
- Provide an integrated "handholding" support service to access longer term provider led or community based support and/or CYP mental health services.
- Improve the overall hospital experience for CYP and their families/carers
- Timely access to appropriate interventions and successful engagement in collaborative community and statutory services for improved mental and emotional well-being.
- Reduction in subsequent medical appointments missed
- Increased CYP adherence to treatment plans and subsequent improvement in initial/primary presented health condition

- Increased time for clinical staff & CAMHS/AWP to focus on the medical needs of patients
- Through early intervention improve the mental wellbeing of engaging CYP
- Increased knowledge, empathy and understanding of working with CYP for clinical and hospital staff, through close working with and upskilling of hospital staff colleagues resulting in the clinical teams fully understanding the youth worker role, service, referral pathway options and benefits.
- Reduce unwarranted variation and therefore improve health comes for CYP across BSW
- Work in an integrated way with all stakeholders to improve the support provided for CYP and reduce the inequalities/inequity CYP face.
- Receive regular supervision and mentoring from a Clinical Manager and have access to independent clinical supervision as appropriate.

It is intended to award this to Barnardo's Services Limited. The contract will run from 1st July 2025 - 31st March 2026 and be valued at £57,500.

This notice has been published by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioners.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: The existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Value / Weighting: 0

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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 is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to 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. The publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by 09/06/2025. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

22 May 2025

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

Barnardo's Services Limited

Ilford

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH3 - Essex

Companies House

01227919

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £57,500

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The award was approved by the BSW CYP Oversight Delivery Group in May 2025.

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

Key criteria around the decision was based on the results of the impact report created at 6 and 9 months; the benefit to the acute trusts collected in staff feedback and patient feedback; the referral numbers to the service increasing over time; and the positive feedback received from patients on the support received to understand and manage their conditions.

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Written representations can be sent to bswicb.procurementadvice@nhs.net

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NHS Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board

Chippenham

Country

United Kingdom