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## **Infection Prevention Control Service 2024 - 2027**

Knowsley Council

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

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

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

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**Region code**

UKD7 - Merseyside

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.knowsley.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<http://www.knowsley.gov.uk>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=1630d8a7-b85b-ee11-8124-005056b64545>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=1630d8a7-b85b-ee11-8124-005056b64545>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Infection Prevention Control Service 2024 - 2027

Reference number

DN691431

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85140000 - Miscellaneous health services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The infection prevention and control service will provide infection prevention and control services to the Knowsley community and strategic leadership to ensure a whole system approach to effective infection prevention and control. The service will be nurse led, by specialist infection prevention and control nurses with appropriate training and continuing experience. Other community staff will support delivery as appropriate.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKD7 - Merseyside

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

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experience. Other community staff will support delivery as appropriate.

The service will:

- Co-ordinate, support, and undertake, when necessary, RCA for community associated Methicillin resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA), C. difficile infections and other significant HCAs, cascade and inform the embedding of learning from cases, recommend, and follow up on any subsequent actions needed.
- Work with local or regional groups to lead and implement strategies to reduce GNBSIs. Monitor effectiveness and provide oversight to commissioners.
- Review, interpret and when required summarise infection prevention and control policy for primary care and Local Authority (LA) social care.
- Provide expert advice to primary and social care providers, schools, nurseries and the public.
- Develop, deliver, monitor and evaluate educational programmes for primary and social care, this will include staff from care homes, extra care, supported living, community care and domiciliary care.
- Maintain and support trained IPC champions across primary care and social care.
- Support providers to implement national tools around environmental cleanliness and equipment decontamination.
- Support incident and outbreak management and contact-tracing, in close collaboration with UKHSA.
- Support initiatives to promote and reduce antimicrobial resistance (AMR).
- Provide specialist support regarding antimicrobial resistant organisms, for example, to health and social care staff, those in residential settings and the general population.
- Undertake an audit programme for primary and social care providers and applicants under the NHS Any Qualified Provider procurement arrangements.
- Undertake action-planning with partners based on lessons from RCAs and audit and implement any actions needed.
- Produce an Infection Prevention and Control Annual Report and Work Plan for the year in conjunction with the commissioners to meet the expected outcomes. Quarterly reports will also be required.

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £750,000

### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract or the framework agreement**

Duration in months

60

### **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) Form of procedure**

Open procedure

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

23 October 2023

Local time

9:30am

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used