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Planning

Frimley ICB Infant Social Prescribers

NHS Frimley Integrated Care Board

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Frimley Integrated Care Board

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Main address

<https://www.frimley.icb.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.frimley.icb.nhs.uk/>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

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

Frimley ICB Infant Social Prescribers

Reference number

C305516

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85323000 - Community health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This notice is placed as a Prior Information Notice (PIN) to inform the market of NHS Frimley Integrated Care Boards (the Commissioner's), intention to commission a pilot for the provision of Infant Social Prescribers. The Commissioner would like to understand the level of provider interest in delivering these services.

The contract duration will be for 2 years commencing 1 April 2025

The service provision will cover Bracknell Forest, North East Hampshire and Farnham, Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead, Slough and Surrey Heath.

This exercise is being carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioner.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £175,800

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ - South East (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Frimley ICB are seeking to commission an organisation, who has experience in recruiting and training individuals with lived experiences to become Infant Social Prescribers. The Infant Social Prescribers will improve access to early and appropriate support for parents/carers of infants under the age of 1 years with respiratory conditions. To improve health outcomes, they will be required to offer practical support and (where necessary) signposting to parents/carers residing in the local authorities of Bracknell Forest, North East Hampshire and Farnham, Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead, Slough and Surrey Heath.

These individuals must be recruited from Frimley's under-reached local communities. The service provider must have an excellent knowledge of the communities that they will be serving.

This is a 2-year pilot project commencing 01 April 2025.

The total contract value for the 2-year pilot is £175,800.00

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The ICB invites interested providers to complete a pre-procurement market engagement questionnaire. Please submit your completed questionnaire by 20 September 2024 via our e-procurement system, Atamis.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 October 2024

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This notice is an information gathering exercise rather than a call for competition in its own right, and therefore publication or response does not commit the Authority or respondents to a future procurement, nor provide any process exemptions or preferential treatment to any parties expressing an interest. The Authority will not be liable for costs incurred by any interested party in participating in this exercise.

The ICB invites interested providers to complete a pre-procurement market engagement questionnaire. Please submit your completed questionnaire by 20 September 2024 via our e-procurement system, Atamis.

Interested providers will be able to view this opportunity via the live opportunities list on the 'Health Family' e-procurement system, Atamis. Click on 'View our Live Opportunities' from the home page, available on the following link: <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>. The project reference is: xxx

Once you have found the opportunity (via the search function, using the title or reference number), to gain full access to the relevant information and market engagement questionnaire, you will need to click on 'Register interest' - this will take you to the log-in page.

If you are not already registered on the system, you will need to do so before gaining full access to the documentation and to be able to submit your expression of interest and respond to the market engagement questionnaire.

The intention is to award a contract using the competitive process.

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) prior information notice. The 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.