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Contract

Data Services for Commissioners Regional Office (DSCRO) Service

Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-029644

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-037789

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board

Charter House, Parkway

Welwyn Garden City

AL8 6JL

Email

sarah.beaumont@attain.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKH23 - Hertfordshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://hertsandwestessex.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

Data Services for Commissioners Regional Office (DSCRO) Service

Reference number

ACE-0632-2022-HWE

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The purpose of this Notice is to inform the market that the Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board have awarded a contract to Arden and GEM Commissioning Support Unit to provide the DSCRO Service across the Hertfordshire and West Essex footprint.

The previous CCGs who have merged into the Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated

Care Board are Herts Valleys CCG, East and North Herts CCG and West Essex CCG. Currently, all three CCGs utilise Arden and GEM Commissioning Support Unit to provide the DESCRO Service.

The purpose of this contract award is to bring all 3 contracts into a single contract to support the new ICB organisation.

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: £1,131,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH23 - Hertfordshire
- UKH35 - West Essex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The DSCRO Services can only be delivered by the Commissioning Support Units due to the powers provided to it through the Health and Social Care Act 2012. All CSUs are hosted by NHS England and historically Clinical Commissioning Groups have been appointed a CSU to deliver their DSCRO by NHS England.

Continuing with Arden and GEM CSU will provide continuity of service across the Hertfordshire and West Essex ICB.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 100

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

The contract is for a 3-year period, starting in January 2023 and ending in December 2026.

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 services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

The DSCRO service can only be delivered by the Commissioning Support Units (CSUs) due to its powers provided to it through the Health and Social Care Act 2012. All CSUs are hosted by NHS England and historically CCGs have been appointed a CSU to deliver their DSCRO by NHS England.

This means that the services are not typically competed and as there is a very limited market so competition is absent for technical reasons. Under these circumstances a direct award against the Public Contract Regulations 2015 for these services can be justified.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

ACE-0632-2022-HWE

Title

Data Services for Commissioners Regional Office (DSCRO) Service

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

19 October 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Arden and GEM Commissioning Support Unit

St Johns House, East Street

Leicester

LE1 6NB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF21 - Leicester

Internet address

<https://www.ardengemcsu.nhs.uk>

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,131,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of Justice England and Wales

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board

Charter House, Parkway

Welwyn Garden City

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