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## **Black/Brown Mothers Peer Support Group Contract Reference: SN240144**

Kent County Council

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-049bc1

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

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

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**Region code**

UKJ4 - Kent

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/>

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Black/Brown Mothers Peer Support Group Contract Reference: SN240144

Reference number

DN742286

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

- 85323000 - Community health services

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

Services

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

This is being procured under PSR Route 3- Competitive Procedure.

KCC are looking to procure a provider to deliver a pilot programme of peer support groups for up to 10 Black women in each of Dartford and Gravesham, Kent. In addition, the group would aim to provide information on the services (in particular supporting maternal mental health, infant health and infant feeding) on offer for mothers in Dartford and Gravesham.

The pilot programme is expected to commence on 31 October 2024 and complete 31 March 2025. The budget for this programme is based on funding from the KCC's Family Hubs programme grant.

It is expected that the programme will meet the following outcomes for Black/Brown mothers:

- Feeling safer when interacting with the health system more widely
- Reported improvements in black/brown mothers mental health
- Improvements in their infants mental health
- Report being more aware of the services that are available to them, particularly with regards to their mental health.

- Felt more confident to access support and knew when and how to access support and know who to ask if they are not sure.
- Felt they had made strong relationships with other mothers

The programme will need to:

- Be a culturally relevant peer support programme co-designed with Black mothers to address maternal (mental health) needs
- Be delivered weekly, for 1.5 to 2 hours per week until March 2025 for up to 10 mothers at each of a community venue in Dartford and Gravesham.
- Empower women from these communities to advocate for their maternal health rights through education
- Include a diversity of staff representing the target population
- Collaborate with healthcare providers, professionals, community leaders and organisations to support maternal (mental) health in Black communities.
- Liaise directly with family hub district managers in Dartford and Gravesham and the Maternity Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Midwife at Dartford and Gravesham NHS Trust
- Collect outcome data (GAD7, PHQ9 or WEMWEB) to measure change in mental health and wellbeing in black mothers who access the group
- Collect demographic data in order to understand equality needs (postcode/ethnicity/gender/age etc)
- Be evaluated with feedback from participants into a report with recommendations for continuation and development of the programme.
- Develop the programme with sustainability in mind i.e. how it might continue beyond the project end.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £24,999

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85323000 - Community health services

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

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#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Start date

31 October 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

**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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

Date

2 October 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

2 October 2024

Local time

12:00pm



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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

The Kent County Council

Maidstone

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Country

United Kingdom