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Contract

Community Outbreak Response Service

NHS Black Country Integrated Care Board

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-049bf6

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Black Country Integrated Care Board

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKG3 - West Midlands

NHS Organisation Data Service

D2P2L

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://blackcountry.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

Community Outbreak Response Service

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Black Country ICB is awarding a contract for the provision of a Community Outbreak Response Service.

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: £250,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85100000 - Health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG3 - West Midlands

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Diagnostic and treatment are a function of the ICB however there are gaps in the community in fulfilling these functions in the event of a communicable disease outbreak response, in particular diagnostics (i.e. swabs/blood), contact tracing and post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP). This is a patient safety risk and creates inequalities due to potential delays in timely review and treatment and the potential to prolong outbreaks.

ICBs are required to have provisions in place to support effective, timely, outbreak response for the management of all communicable diseases in the community including education settings and asylum seeker accommodation. Under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004, ICBs are identified as a Category 1 responder and therefore have statutory responsibilities, duties and powers which are significant in handling a communicable disease outbreak.

This service is commissioned to cover all patients registered with a BCICB GP and all contacts identified through contact tracing from the outbreak/incident.

The service specification will cover individual or outbreaks of all communicable diseases, seasonal and non-seasonal, see below. This is not an exhaustive list:

- Seasonal Influenza
- Avian Influenza
- Mpox
- Scabies

- Measles
- All Streptococcus including iGAS
- Hepatitis A, B and C
- Diphtheria
- TB latent screening, the decision to be made/requested via an IMT to support TB team, part of incident/outbreak response in the community.
- Sexual Health screening, the decision to be made/requested via an incident management team (IMT), to support Sexual Health Services, part of incident/outbreak response in the community.

NHS Black Country Integrated Care Board intends to award this contract to the existing provider via Direct Award Process C as described in regulation 9 of the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. The contract will be for a maximum of 5 years (3 years with an option to extend for a further 2 years at the sole discretion of the commissioner). The anticipated annual value of the contract is £50,000. Therefore the initial 3 year period will have a value of £150,000 with the additional, optional, extension valued at £100,000.

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

Price - 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 30th September 2024. 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

27 August 2024

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

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The Surgery, 2 The Slieve, Handsworth Wood

Birmingham

B20 2NR

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG3 - West Midlands

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £250,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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The decision to award was made by the Chief Nursing Officer/Deputy Chief Executive Officer

There were no conflicts of interest noted in reaching the decision to award.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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