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## **Prior Information Notice and Market Engagement Event for NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB Children and Young People's THRIVE Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Framework.**

NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB  
NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB)

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

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

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**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Prior Information Notice and Market Engagement Event for NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB Children and Young People's THRIVE Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Framework.

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

This is a call for expressions of interest to attend a Market Engagement Event for NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB's Children and Young People's THRIVE Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Framework and complete a short questionnaire. The aim of the session is to gauge potential interest, inform the market of the Commissioner's plan for this service and any potential future procurement process, and review the potential structure of the contract. This will include discussions around an infrastructure management/lead provider model. We are keen to hear from a full range of organisations including community based grassroots organisations as well as those that operate at a larger scale. This will include discussions around an infrastructure management/lead provider model. If a competitive tender process is pursued by the ICB, it will be open to all suppliers regardless of whether they attended the Market Engagement event.

The Market Engagement event will take place on 18th November 2022 via Teams. There will be subsequent engagement events at local level during w/c 29th November 2022 with dates and venues to be confirmed.

Interested providers are advised to register with MLCSU e-Procurement portal Bravo via the following link: <https://mlcsu.bravosolution.co.uk>

The relevant PQQ reference number for this is PQQ\_523 and the questionnaire will be located within this PQQ.

For more information and to book your place at the Bidder Engagement Event, you will need to follow these steps:

\*Please note: Maximum 2 attendees per organisation\*

To register on the portal: <https://mlcsu.bravosolution.co.uk>

- From the portal (NHS Midlands and Lancashire Commissioning Support Procurement services Portal Home Page, click the 'Click Here to Register' link.
- Accept the terms & conditions for using the portal.
- Complete your organisation & personal details.
- Choose a memorable username and submit.
- You will be sent an email with your unique password.
- Search out PQQ\_523 Complete short questionnaire and submit by the deadline of 7th November 2022.

Correspondence and communication will only be dealt with through the Bravo website. For technical support in accessing the PQQ please contact the BravoSolution Help-desk.

<https://www.annafreud.org/mental-health-professionals/thrive-framework/>

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

Main site or place of performance

Lancashire and South Cumbria

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

On 1st July 2022 the Integrated Care Board (ICB) replaced the eight Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) in Lancashire and South Cumbria and took on the NHS planning function for meeting the health needs of the population and arranging services within the geographical area.

Mental health problems often develop early and, between the ages of 5-15, one in every nine children has a mental disorder. Half of all mental health problems are established by the age of 14, with three quarters established by 24 years of age. Prompt access to appropriate support enables children and young people experiencing difficulties to maximise their prospects for a healthy and happy life.

The planning of children and young people's mental health services takes place at a system level and is the responsibility of the Children and Young People's Mental Health Transformation and Delivery Board which is accountable to the ICB. In partnership with key stakeholders, the Board is responsible for the design and implementation of the Children and Young People's Mental Health Strategic Transformation Plan. The plan is based on the THRIVE conceptual model of delivering integrated care and is focused on improving the resilience, emotional wellbeing and mental health of children and young people (<https://www.annafreud.org/mental-health-professionals/thrive-framework/>). The plan is especially designed to help those who are at increased risk due to their vulnerability, making it easier for individuals and their families to access help and support when they need it, whilst improving the standard of mental health services across Lancashire and South Cumbria.

- As part of the NHS Long Term Plan the ICB will continue to invest in expanding access to community-based emotional wellbeing and mental health services to meet the needs of more children and young people. By 2023/24, at least 23,115 children and young people aged 0-25 will be able to access support via NHS funded mental health services.

The Board is committed to working with partners including the Voluntary, Community, Faith, and Social Enterprise (VCFSE) sector who will be key to the design and delivery of the service transformation plan.

Key objectives of the proposed service:

- To engage with partners, including the VCFSE in a systematic way to co-produce our offer for CYP THRIVE Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health which considers how to equitably resource the involvement of partners in a way that respects their time and resource, developing a system which moves away from competition to collaboration with

partners.

Should this service be subject to a competitive tender process, it will be advertised separately, and providers will need to register again when the opportunity is advertised.

Further information relating to the service specification, as well as total budget and contract duration, will be made available via ITT documentation - should the ICB commence a competitive tender process for the service.

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### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

1 February 2023

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## **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

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

At this stage this is an engagement exercise only and not a call for competition. Should this service be subject to a procurement, it will be advertised separately.

Midlands and Lancashire CSU is conducting this exercise on behalf of the Commissioners.

Details of the Market Engagement Event will be made available on the Midlands and Lancashire CSU portal at <https://mlcsu.bravosolution.co.uk>

Candidates wishing to participate must register at <https://mlcsu.bravosolution.co.uk>

Candidates already registered will not need to re-register.

This contract is for clinical services which are light touch regime services for the purpose of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 as specified in Schedule 3 of the Regulations ('Regulations'). Accordingly, the contracting authority is only bound by those parts of the Regulations detailed in Chapter 3 Particular Procurement Regimes

Section 7. The contracting authority is not voluntarily following any other part of the regulations.

Right to Cancel: The Contracting Authority reserves the right to discontinue the process at any time, which shall include the right not to award a contract or contracts. This is not a call for tenders and the Contracting Authority does not bind itself to accept any tender received, and reserves the right to award a contract in part, or to call for tenders should as considers necessary.

The Contracting Authority shall not be liable for any costs or expenses incurred by any candidate or tenderer in connection with the completion and return of the information requested in this notice, or in the completion or submission of any tender, irrespective of the outcome of the competition or if the competition is cancelled or

postponed.

All dates, time periods and values specified in this notice are provisional and the Contracting Authority reserves the right to change these.

Transparency: The Contracting Authority is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR) and may be required to disclose information received in the course of this procurement under FOIA or the EIR.

In addition, and in accordance with the UK Government's policies on transparency, the contracting authority intends to publish procurement documentation and the text of any resulting contractual arrangements, subject to possible redactions at the discretion of the Contracting Authority. Any redactions, whether in relation to information requests under FOIA, the EIR or policies on transparency will be in accordance with those grounds prescribed under the Freedom of Information Act. If and when this requirement is offered to tender, this will be done via electronic means using the internet.

The ICB reserve the right to change plans and proposals for any forthcoming procurement exercise as a result of feedback obtained and do not guarantee to consider or adopt any of the proposals put forward by the market.