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Contract

## **Support short breaks for children and young people**

NHS Suffolk and North East Essex ICB

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-029981

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-042c1c

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

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

NHS Suffolk and North East Essex ICB

Aspen House, Stephenson Road, Severalls Business Park

COLCHESTER

CO49QR

#### **Contact**

Jane Garnett

#### **Email**

[jane.garnett@snee.nhs.uk](mailto:jane.garnett@snee.nhs.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKH34 - Essex Haven Gateway

## **NHS Organisation Data Service**

QJG

### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/snee-icb/asp/Home>

### **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**

Support short breaks for children and young people

Reference number

WSCCG - 00000103

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

The Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care Board are inviting Providers to submit applications to deliver services to support children & young people with a diagnosis of a learning disability and/or who are autistic with coexisting significant mental health needs to access a short break.

#### **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: £880,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKH14 - Suffolk
- UKH34 - Essex Haven Gateway

Main site or place of performance

The service will be required to cover the Suffolk and North East Essex locality.

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

The Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care Board are inviting Providers to apply to deliver services to support children & young people with a diagnosis of a learning disability and/or who are autistic with coexisting significant mental health needs to access a short break.

The short breaks offer for children & young people with a diagnosis of a learning disability and/or who are autistic with coexisting significant mental health needs, funded by the SNEE ICB, is designed to provide additionality to existing short breaks or to provide bespoke short breaks that provide additional support for the child or young person's mental health needs that will ensure they remain safe and well in their community. The service specification outlines a variety of ways in which Providers could support this service, including but not limited to:

- Additional support to allow children and/or young people to access a short break without having to rely on their family to support their mental health needs.

- An assessment short break
- Additional intermittent support to ensure that children and young people can continue to access short breaks when their mental health needs increase.
- Bespoke packages that deliver short breaks in a completely different way to allow some of the most vulnerable children and young people with a diagnosis of a learning disability and/or who are autistic and with a coexisting complex mental health need to access a short break of sorts.

The procurement process is looking to accredit a number of Providers to support provision of short breaks for children and young people.

The Contract will be for a term of 36 months (3 years), with the possibility of extending the term for a period of 24 additional months (2 years) beyond the initial contracted duration by agreement between the Authority and the Applicant. The aggregate contract value is £880,000.00 across the potential 5 years, but this is the total potential spend on all short break packages, which will be allocated on an individual placement basis.

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

Price

## **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

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## **II.2.14) Additional information**

The Authority may wish to introduce additional services during the lifetime of the contract ("Contract modifications"). Such contract modifications will be contemplated where additional requirements are similar and or complementary to the services already included in the Specification, at any given time. Such expansion would be by the addition of services commissioned by the Authority as named in the Contract Notice. To this end, the Bidder should be aware that after the award of contract, there is a possibility that the successful Bidder may be offered a variation to the contract in accordance with the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023.

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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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-004677](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Title**

Support short breaks for children and young people

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

6 September 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 7

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

JOE Healthcare

28 Rope Walk

Ipswich

IP4 1ND

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH14 - Suffolk

Companies House

10853279

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £880,000

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**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Universal Care Services (UK) Limited

3 Ella Mews

London

NW3 2NH

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

06923671

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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QCM HEALTHCARE TRANSPORT LIMITED

Cadman House Maurice Way, Stanway

Colchester

CO3 0NW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH3 - Essex

Companies House

12140857

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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 4th October 2024. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

Award decision-makers - NHS Suffolk and North East Essex Executive Committee - No conflicts of interest were declared.

The competitive process was undertaken as outlined within the Procurement documentation, which included a review of the Selection Criteria and an Award Assessment which reviewed the Key Criteria as described within the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023.

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

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

NHS Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care Board

Aspen House, Stephenson Road, Severalls Business Park Colchester CO4 9QR

Ipswich

Country

United Kingdom