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Planning

Individual Placement Service (IPS) - Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB (BwD Locality)

NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB

Chorley House, Lancashire Business Park

Leyland

PR26 6TT

Email

mlcsu.tendersnorth@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

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UKD41 - Blackburn with Darwen

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Individual Placement Service (IPS) - Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB (BwD Locality)

Reference number

LSC-22-3

II.1.2) Main CPV code

85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Midlands and Lancashire CSU is working on be NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB (Blackburn with Darwen Locality) who wish to understand the availability of capable providers with the capacity to fulfil a Individual Placement and Support (IPS) Programme. Potential providers are asked to express an interest in potentially bidding for this service.

Individual Placement and Support (IPS) is an evidence- based model of employment support. Supporting people with severe mental health difficulties to find and keep competitive employment. It involves intensive, individual support, a rapid job search followed by placement in paid employment, and time-unlimited in-work support for both the employee and the employer.

The Lancashire and South Cumbria IPS service currently offers support to any Lancashire and South Cumbria service users aged between 16 and 69 years of age, referred via Early Intervention in Psychosis or Community Mental Health Teams or service users within either of these services who choose to self-refer into the IPS service.

The service operates within the 8 key principles of IPS and a fidelity review of the service is carried out by IPS Grow to ensure the quality of the service and demonstrates the commitment to continuous quality improvement.

The contract will require the provider to work with the ICB to further expand the service to other mental health services available to individuals with a severe mental illness including primary care, increasing the number of individuals supported to secure employment inline

with the NHS Long Term Plan requirements as stipulated in the service specification.

The provider will demonstrate the increase in activity by providing regular reports to the ICB and demonstrating the number of service users becoming actively engaged in the service and number of service users starting paid employment as well as other standards required by the commissioners.

Contract Period

The initial contract will be for 3 years from 1st April 2023, with an option to extend for a further 2 years.

Interested providers are asked to register their interest in participating in any future procurement opportunity and provide a brief description of their experience in providing this service and their capacity and capability in servicing the population covered by Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB (Blackburn with Darwen Locality)

Contract Value

The Financial Envelope is £4,550,000 over the 5 year period

Following this Expressions of Interest the ICB is intending to invite interested providers to be involved in a procurement exercise. There will be no further advertisement for this procurement and only those who have Expressed an Interest to this advert will be invited to tender. The procurement is anticipated to start January 2023.

It should be noted that the ICB does not guarantee to consider or adopt any of the proposals put forward by the market.

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_524 and the questionnaire will be located within this PQQ.

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_524 Complete short questionnaire and submit by the deadline of Monday 28th November 2022 at 12:00.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £4,550,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 85300000 - Social work and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKD41 - Blackburn with Darwen

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Individual Placement Services - Lancashire and South Cumbria ICB (Blackburn with Darwen Locality)

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 January 2023

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

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

At this stage this is an Expression of Interest exercise only. Following this Expressions of Interest the ICB is intending to invite interested providers to be involved in a procurement. Only those providers that respond to this Expressions of Interest will be invited to tender.

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

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. 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 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.