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Contract

## **24/7 Student Assistance Programme**

University of Chester

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-047d7a

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

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

University of Chester

Parkgate Road

Chester

CH1 4BJ

#### **Contact**

Procurement Services

#### **Email**

[procurement@chester.ac.uk](mailto:procurement@chester.ac.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.chester.ac.uk](http://www.chester.ac.uk)

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/universityofchester>

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Education

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

24/7 Student Assistance Programme

Reference number

2024-Jul-02

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

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

Services

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

This Award Notice follows the University of Chester seeking tenders for a 24/7 Student Assistance Programme through the UK Open Procedure under the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and The Public Procurement (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020. The University of Chester is committed to providing a holistic, responsive, and proactive approach to wellbeing and mental health support for our student community. To complement our existing provision within our own Student Services department, and to ensure students have access to wellbeing and mental health support at any time (24/7, 365 days a year), the University of Chester was looking to establish a contract for the provision of both telephone and online wellbeing, counselling, and mental health support. The Service will cover all University of Chester students from enrolment to graduation, which is approximately 14,500 students. Please note that all values in this notice have been rounded up.

#### **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: £300,000

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

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

- 85000000 - Health and social work services
- 85312300 - Guidance and counselling services
- 85312320 - Counselling services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The University of Chester is committed to providing a holistic, responsive, and proactive approach to wellbeing and mental health support for our student community. To complement our existing provision within our own Student Services department, and to ensure students have access to wellbeing and mental health support at any time (24/7, 365 days a year), the University of Chester was looking to establish a contract for the provision of both telephone and online wellbeing, counselling, and mental health support. The Service will cover all University of Chester students from enrolment to graduation, which is approximately 14,500 students. This service will provide confidential support for a range of matters that may impact student wellbeing and mental health and seek to resolve, manage and prevent issues where possible. Further details were available in the tender documents. Please note the estimated total value includes the optional extension periods.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality Evaluation / Weighting: 50

Cost criterion - Name: Pricing Evaluation / Weighting: 50

**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: Yes

### IV.2) Administrative information

#### IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2024/S 000-023658](#)

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## Section V. Award of contract

### Contract No

2024-Jul-02

### Title

Provision of 24/7 Student Assistance Programme

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract

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

30 August 2024

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 8

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 8

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 8

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

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

Health Assured Limited

The Peninsula, Victoria Place

Manchester

M4 4FB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD33 - Manchester

National registration number

06314620

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £300,000

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

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

University of Chester

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