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Contract

## **GP Advice and Guidance Service**

NHS Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04a51b

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

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

NHS Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB

Stafford Education & Enterprise Park, Weston Road

Stafford

ST18 0BF

#### **Contact**

Paulo Sousa-Cabral

#### **Email**

[paulo.sousa-cabral@nhs.net](mailto:paulo.sousa-cabral@nhs.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

**NHS Organisation Data Service**

QNC

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

**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**

GP Advice and Guidance Service

Reference number

TBC

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

- 85140000 - Miscellaneous health services

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

Services

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

This contract is for the provision of GP Advice and Guidance Service. GP can access a network of Secondary Care consultants for advice with patient triage and onward referral.

This contract has a block element of £36,000 per annum plus a cost and volume element paid at price per activity. The cost and volume activity for 2023/24 was £50,466.

This notice is for a Direct Award C PSR process to commence from the xxth of October 2024 for 12 months bringing the lifetime value of the contract to the value of c. £86,000. Under the test for considerable change this is within the permitted criteria (not exceeding £500,000 and 25%).

#### **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: £86,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKG24 - Staffordshire CC

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

Description of the services to be provided: This contract is for the provision of GP Advice and Guidance Service. GP can access a network of Secondary Care consultants for advice with patient triage and onward referral. This service is for East Staffordshire and South East GP Practices only.

The ICB is intending to award a contract to an existing provider following direct award process C, where the existing provider is satisfying the existing contract and will likely satisfy the proposed new contract, and the contract is not changing considerably.

The approximate lifetime value of the contract is £86,000.

The dates between which the services are intended to be provided are: xx/10/2024 to xx/10/2025.

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

Cost criterion - Name: The existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard / Weighting: 100

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

Options: No

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## **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 the xxth October 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

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## **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**

3 September 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

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

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

CONSULTANT CONNECT LIMITED

Oxford

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

Companies House

09488206

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £86,000

## 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 decision makers by the xxth of October 2024. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

Email address where written representations should be sent:

[governance@staffsstoke.icb.nhs.uk](mailto:governance@staffsstoke.icb.nhs.uk)

Details of the award decision-makers: NHS SSOT ICB Finance and Performance Committee 3rd of September 2024

Any declared conflicts or potential conflicts of interest of individuals making the decision and how these were managed: The PCCD MDT and POG agreement and approval processes seek to identify any Conflicts of Interest and, if declared, these are documented and managed according to SSOT ICB policy. Persons with known or declared Conflicts of Interest would be excluded from the decision-making process. In this case, no conflicts were declared by any members of the ICB's Finance and Performance Committee.

Relative importance and rationale for the relative importance of the key criteria, and the rationale for choosing the provider with reference to the key criteria: The term of an existing contract (including Modification) is due to expire xx/10/2024 and the ICB is proposing a new contract to replace this at the end of its term. The contracting arrangements are not changing considerably from the existing contract. The key criteria and basic selection criteria has been applied. The ICB Quality & Finance teams undertook diligence and details checks recorded on the DMR Tracker held by the ICB.

### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

NHS Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent ICB

Stafford

Country

United Kingdom

