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## **Expressions of Interest for the Provision of Primary Medical Services (APMS) at Kingsway Health Centre and Bramingham Park Medical Centre, Luton and Brooklands Health Centre, Milton Keynes**

NHS Bedfordshire, Luton and Milton Keynes Integrated Care Board

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

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

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Buyer's address

<https://www.bedfordshirelutonandmiltonkeynes.icb.nhs.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

<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**

Expressions of Interest for the Provision of Primary Medical Services (APMS) at Kingsway Health Centre and Bramingham Park Medical Centre, Luton and Brooklands Health Centre, Milton Keynes

Reference number

AG22504

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

- 85121100 - General-practitioner services

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

Services

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

NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit (AGCSU) on behalf of Bedfordshire, Luton and Milton Keynes Integrated Care Board (ICB) (The Commissioner) would like to notify the market of an opportunity to provide primary medical services (APMS) at Kingsway Health Centre and Bramingham Park Medical Centre, Luton (Lot 1) and Brooklands Health Centre, Milton Keynes (Lot 2) and invite all interested providers to participate in an early market assessment questionnaire.

The service commencement date for both lots is 1 July 2023.

Please note the deadline for expressions of interest is 12:00PM on 7th December 2022.

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Kingsway Health Centre and Bramingham Park Medical Centre, Luton

Lot No

1

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

- 85121100 - General-practitioner services

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

NUTS codes

- UKH21 - Luton

Main site or place of performance

Luton

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

Kingsway Health Centre has an actual patient list size of 10,904 (weighted 9,702) as of June 2022 and Bramingham Park Medical Centre has an actual patient list size of 6,719 (weighted 5,941) as of June 2022.

The Commissioner has made a strategic decision not to reprocure practices with a weighted list size below approximately 10,000 patients as stand-alone APMS contracts and to look at alternative contracting models. This is intended to ensure robust, resilient and high-quality services for our population in the longer term.

These 2 practices are currently provided under two separate APMS contracts but share some back-room functions and staff. The Commissioner therefore believes that a single practice with a weighted list size of c16,000 would offer a greater possibility of robust, resilient, and economically viable long-term delivery of services at these two sites and is therefore offering a single contract to cover provision at both sites.

Under current contractual arrangements, the practice is open from 8am-8pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 7.30am-8pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays and from 8.30am-12.30pm on Fridays. The Commissioner plans to offer a new contract on core hours which will align with the national strategy of provision of enhanced access through PCNs.

The contract will be for a duration of 5 years with the option to extend for up to a further 4 years with an estimated contract value (including the 4-year extension) of between £15.6 million - £16.3 million.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Brooklands Health Centre, Milton Keynes

Lot No

2

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

- 85121100 - General-practitioner services

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ12 - Milton Keynes

Main site or place of performance

Milton Keynes

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

Brooklands Health Centre has an actual patient list size of 18,756 (weighted 14,341) as of June 2022 and further growth is expected. Under current contractual arrangements, the practice opens from 8am-8pm 365 days per year. The Commissioner plans to offer a new contract on core hours which will align with the national strategy of provision of enhanced access through PCNs.

The contract will be for a duration of 5 years with the option to extend for up to a further 4 years with an estimated contract value (including the 4-year extension) of between £14.7 million - £15.4 million.

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

28 December 2022

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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**

This is purely an early engagement exercise; any subsequent procurement will be advertised separately and all organisations wanting to participate will need to respond to the procurement advertisement as and when published.

This is a market testing exercise and does not commit the Commissioners to carry out a procurement process. Current services will remain in place during this period in line with existing contracts and service level agreements.

The procurement will be advertised in accordance with the requirements of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) (the "Regulations") to the extent that the Regulations relate to services within the scope of Schedule 3 thereto (Social and Other Specific Services). The Commissioner and AGCSU are, therefore, bound only by those parts of the Regulations applying to Schedule 3 services.

The Contracting Authority will be using an eTendering system for this market engagement exercise. To express an interest and access the questionnaire go to the 'Live Opportunities' list on the e-tendering portal at the following link: <https://health-family-contract-search.secure.force.com/?searchtype=Projects> and register your interest.

You can search for the opportunity by entering the following contract reference: C111578 (Primary Medical Services (APMS) in Luton and Milton Keynes)

Neither the publication of this notice nor the employment of any particular terminology nor any other indication shall be taken to mean that the Contracting Authority intends to hold itself bound by any of the Regulations. Please see published procurement documentation for further details.