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Contract

Unscheduled Dental Care (Dental Nurse Triage) - EBPC

Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West (BOB) Integrated Care Board (ICB)
Frimley Integrated Care Board (ICB)

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West (BOB) Integrated Care Board (ICB)

Cowley

Email

scwcsu.procurement@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

I.1) Name and addresses

Frimley Integrated Care Board (ICB)

Windsor

Email

scwcsu.procurement@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

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

Unscheduled Dental Care (Dental Nurse Triage) - EBPC

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85130000 - Dental practice and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Objectives of the service:

- to receive referrals from NHS 111
- to assess patient need for urgent treatment
- for those identified as not having an urgent treatment, provide advice as to action to take to manage their symptoms
- for patients identified as having an urgent treatment need signpost them to dental providers able to provide required treatment

This service is commissioned via an NHS standard contract.

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: £388,554

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85130000 - Dental practice and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NHS Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West (BOB) Integrated Care Board (ICB) and Frimley Integrated Care Board (ICB) are looking to continue Unscheduled Dental Care (Dental Nurse Triage) with the current provider in Berkshire.

The term of the existing Unscheduled Dental Care (Dental Nurse Triage) contract is due to expire on 31st March 2026 and BOB and Frimley ICBs have proposed that a new contract should replace that existing contract at the end of its term. All requirements outlined in Regulation 6(5) of the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023 have been met, including not breaching the considerable change threshold, and therefore direct award process C has been deemed the appropriate provider selection process.

After conducting an assessment of the incumbent provider, taking into account the key criteria and applying the basic selection criteria, NHS Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West and Frimley ICBs are content that the existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard.

The service is anticipated to commence on the 1st April 2026 for a contract duration of 2 years until the 31st March 2028, with a total value of £388,554 (£207,478.80 from BOB ICB and £181,075.20 from Frimley ICB).

This transparency notice serves as an intention to award the contract to the incumbent provider, using direct award process C under PSR.

This procurement has been carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioners.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

Price - Weighting: 0

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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 27th June 2025. 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: Yes

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

13 June 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

East Berkshire Primary Care OOH

Bracknell

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

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: £388,554

Total value of the contract/lot: £388,554

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The decision to award this contract in line with direct award process C was based on evaluation against the basic selection criteria, which was assessed on a pass/fail basis, and the 5 key criteria:

- Quality and innovation
- Value
- Integration, collaboration and service sustainability
- Improving access, reducing health inequalities and facilitating choice
- Social value

The criteria were not weighted differently as they were deemed equally important for this service.

Assessment of the provider was based on evidence available through their existing contract with the ICB.

Award decisions have been recommended by the BOB ICB Pharmacy, Optometry and Dental Oversight Group, which is chaired by the Director of Primary Care who reports to the board-level Medical Director, as well as the Frimley ICB System Resource Group and Frimley Primary Care Board.

No conflicts of interest were declared.

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Written representations should be sent to scwcsu.procurement@nhs.net.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NHS England

London

Country

United Kingdom