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Award

Telehealth Monitoring in COPD and Difficult Asthma

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership-Procurement Services (hosted by Velindre University NHS Trust)

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

Telehealth Monitoring in COPD and Difficult Asthma

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Hywel Dda University Health Board intends to award a contract to NuvoAir AB to extend the successful pilot of Telehealth Monitoring in COPD and Difficult Asthma for one (1) year to establish a larger evaluation of circa 200 patients to demonstrate impact on health care utilisation.

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: £28,720

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL14 - South West Wales

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Wales has higher rates of lung disease than other UK countries. The pandemic has had a

particularly severe effect on the respiratory diagnostic (spirometry) services within Hywel Dda University Health Board (HDUHB) and ability to monitor vulnerable patients with chronic lung diseases in Primary and Secondary Care and community nurses.

From April 2022 to January 2024, Respiratory Innovation Wales (RIW) collaborated with NuvoAir Ltd and HDUHB to implement and assess a home telemonitoring (HTM) service for patients with severe Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) who were already receiving optimal treatment. Key aims of the service are to improve health, wellbeing and enable users to monitor their condition in their own home alongside reducing A&E attendances and hospital stays.

A total of fifty-five (55) patients were onboarded onto HTM with positive feedback received including:

Spirometry easier to do at home than in a secondary care location

Feeling more in control of health with home monitoring

Increased motivation to exercise and stay fit

HDUHB intend to continue with this service for a final one (1) year period as Respiratory Innovation Wales (RIW) have provided a key finding report for the trial to date which acknowledges that whilst there appears to be some impact on reducing A&E attendances & possible CDM home visits, this could have occurred through chance. Therefore, it is recommended that a larger evaluation of circa 200 patients is followed for at least one year to demonstrate impact on health care utilisation.

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

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:

There are no other known providers of this service. Respiratory Innovation Wales (RIW) have provided a key finding report for the trial to date which acknowledges that whilst there appears to be some impact on reducing A&E attendances & possible CDM home visits, this could have occurred through chance. Therefore, it is recommended that a larger evaluation of circa 200 patients is followed for at least one year to demonstrate impact on health care utilisation

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/concession

Contract No

HDD-VEAT-24-01

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

18 October 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £28,720

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

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