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Contract

Provision of continued General Medical Services (GMS) for Tollgate Practice patients

NHS SUFFOLK AND NORTH EAST ESSEX INTEGRATED CARE BOARD

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS SUFFOLK AND NORTH EAST ESSEX INTEGRATED CARE BOARD

Endeavour House, Russell Road

Ipswich

IP12BX

Email

procurement@snee.nhs.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKH14 - Suffolk

NHS Organisation Data Service

QJG

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/snee-icb/asp/Home>

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

Provision of continued General Medical Services (GMS) for Tollgate Practice patients

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Pursuant to The Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023, Regulation 14, Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care Board (the Authority) will be awarding an Urgent Caretaker arrangement for the delivery of continued General Medical Services (GMS) for Tollgate Practice patients.

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: £1,856,064

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH34 - Essex Haven Gateway

Main site or place of performance

Within Tollgate Practice catchment locality within Colchester

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Tollgate Practice is a general medical practice in Colchester. The partners withdrew from

the GMS contract. Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care Board (the Authority) has delegated responsibility to ensure continuity of primary medical services for Tollgate Practice's registered patient list.

There is a significant risk that there will be no provision of primary medical services, jeopardising the health and well-being of patients (to a potentially fatal degree). Therefore this contract needs to be placed urgently.

The Authority therefore has an urgent need for the provision of continued general medical services forming part of this contract and cannot be left without a provider.

The contract duration will be for an initial 1 year, starting on 12.3.2025, with the option to extend by a further year. The maximum contract duration will be 2 years.

The value of the contract being offered for the scope of services for the 1-year contract period is £928,032.00. The aggregate value of the contract (including extension provision of 1 year) is £1,856,064.00.

Given the nature of business modelling involved and the associated resource implications for the potential provider it is necessary for the contingency contract to be for a maximum 24 months, in order for this to be a viable proposition. The costs of a shorter term contract would be prohibitive and would potentially negatively impact on health care.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality criteria / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Fixed cost / Weighting: 0

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

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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 contract has been awarded under the urgent circumstances provision of the Provider Selection Regime (PSR). This contract has been awarded under 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.

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A closed expressions of interest process with providers in the locality was completed in order to select the caretaker practice to support the continued delivery of the Tollgate Practice. Each expression of interest was reviewed as outlined within documentation released to interested parties.

Decision makers - Primary Care Commissioning Group 25/02/2025 - prior to report to NEE Alliance Committee.

No conflicts of interest, or potential conflicts of interest, were declared by any decision makers.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract

Title

Provision of continued General Medical Services (GMS) for Tollgate Practice patients

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

25 February 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Abbey Field Medical Centre

Ypres Road

Colchester

CO2 7UW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH34 - Essex Haven Gateway

NHS Organisation Data Service

F81095

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,856,064

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NHS Suffolk and North East Essex Integrated Care Board

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