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Planning

Enhanced Health in Care Homes

NHS Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

<https://www.hertsandwestessex.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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Enhanced Health in Care Homes

Reference number

AG24512

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85121100 - General-practitioner services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Local award to an East and North Hertfordshire (ENH) Primary Medical Care Services Provider via the Most Suitable Provider process. Primary Care led, in collaboration with local system partners, to deliver an integrated Enhanced Health service in all care homes (residential and nursing), as registered by the Care Quality Commission (CQC), supported by East and North Practices, and which are covered under the PCN DES/DES plus. Inclusive of non-weight bearing and Discharge to Assess beds (DTA) as well as Learning disability adult care homes. Exclusive of short stay respite services, neurological services, and flexi care schemes.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £2,466,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH2 - Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Care homes (residential and nursing), as registered by the Care Quality Commission (CQC), supported by East and North Practices, and which are covered under the PCN DES/DES plus.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Inclusive of non-weight bearing and Discharge to Assess beds (DTA) as well as Learning disability adult care homes. Exclusive of short stay respite services, neurological services, and flexi care schemes.

The aims of the service include:

- Improvement in quality of life for residents living in care homes.
- Increase and improve implementation of Advanced Care plans (ACP) including Recommended Summary Plan for Emergency Care and Treatment (RESPECT) and Treatment escalation plan (TEP).
- People to be cared for in their preferred place of care (PPC) and to die in their preferred place (PPD)
- Partnership model delivery centred on primary medical care working collaboratively with all system partners to avoid duplication.
- Ensure ICB pathways are implemented and utilised.
- Identify best practices and the need for care home staff training and signposting to the relevant services.
- Identifying interventions needed such as nutrition, hydration, oral health care and wider primary care services including structured medication reviews and opportunities for reduction in the medication where appropriate.
- Efficient Data sharing and monitoring using the appropriate SNOMED codes.
- Shared care records updated in order that the resident's record is visible to system partners for clinical care.
- Reduce avoidable admissions to secondary care.

This contract is a 2 year pilot with an option to extend for a further 1 year at the discretion of the commissioner and the spend is £822,000 per year.

II.2.14) Additional information

'Live Opportunities' list on the e-tendering system at the following link:<https://health-family-contract-search.secure.force.com/?searchtype=Projects>. You can also register your interest via this page. You can search for the opportunity by entering the following contract reference: C317141 - MSP: Enhanced Health in Care Homes (EHCH). Providers must express and interest to be included.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

5 November 2024

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: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intended approach 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. NHS Hertfordshire & West Essex ICB [Primary Care Commissioning Committee] intention is to award a contract using the most suitable provider process.

TUPE is anticipated to apply to this service. Confirmation will be provided as part of the next stage of the Most Suitable Provider (MSP) process and all relevant information will be provided in compliance with the Regulations.