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Contract

## **Rapid Personalised Care Service (RPCS) - CHC Fast Track**

NHS Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03b3fd

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

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

NHS Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKH23 - Hertfordshire

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**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**

Rapid Personalised Care Service (RPCS) - CHC Fast Track

Reference number

HWE CANS 2023

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85100000 - Health services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

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The value of the new contract is £261,691 (excluding VAT). The figure reflected in this notice is the total contract value, including the optional extension.

#### **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: £523,382

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKH23 - Hertfordshire

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

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The service supports patients whose condition is deteriorating very rapidly and who may need to have a fast track assessment for care to enable their needs to be met urgently. This is to enable them to go home for end of life care or to provide appropriate end of life support to be put in place either in their own home or within a care setting.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for a further 12 months.

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

In line with best practice, the Authority observed a 10-day standstill period following the publication of the VEAT prior to entering into a contract.

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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:

The Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board (HWE ICB) became a legal entity on 1st July 2022, replacing the previous Hertfordshire and West Essex Clinical Commissioning Groups. The organisation is in its early stages and is forming its commissioning and procurement strategies. It is the intention of the HWE ICB to undertake a full commissioning review of its hospice services across the area. To procure services at this stage would risk destabilisation and misalignment to the wider strategy. This short-term extension will allow the HWE ICB time to ensure that a robust strategic review is undertaken which will inform the longer-term decision on how these services will be delivered in future for the benefit of our patients, and avoid unnecessary costs.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

### IV.2) Administrative information

#### IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2023/S 000-007877](#)

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## Section V. Award of contract

### Title

Rapid Personalised Care Service (RPCS) - CHC Fast Track

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract

**V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

18 August 2023

**V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

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

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Hospice of St Francis

Spring Garden Lane, Shootersway

Berkhamsted

HP4 3GW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH23 - Hertfordshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £523,382

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court of Justice England and Wales

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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