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Contract

Fertility Services

NHS DEVON INTEGRATED CARE BOARD

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0556d9

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS DEVON INTEGRATED CARE BOARD

Aperture House, Pynes Hill, Rydon Lane,

Exeter

EX25AZ

Email

d-icb.contracting@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKK43 - Devon CC

NHS Organisation Data Service

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Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://onedevon.org.uk/>

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

Fertility Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85312330 - Family-planning services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Assisted Conception Service will provide:

- Specialist Fertility Services to patients fulfilling the eligibility criteria, including:
 - A full In Vitro Fertilisation (IVF) cycle*,
 - A full Intra-cytoplasmic Sperm Injection (ICSI) cycle*
 - Intra Uterine Insemination (IUI) stimulated and unstimulated depending on circumstances
- The storage of gametes (oocytes and sperm) including those harvested prior to treatment for cancer or other treatments which may make a patient permanently infertile
- The storage of embryos
- Use of donor gametes such as egg or sperm where appropriate. Donor oocyte (egg) treatment will be subject

to different waiting time criteria due to the recognised shortage of donors

- Diagnostic Semen Analysis Service

* A full IVF / ICSI treatment cycle includes:

- Appropriate diagnostic tests, scans and pharmacological therapy

- Counselling for couples

- Stimulation of prospective mother's ovaries to produce oocytes

- Harvesting of the oocytes

- Fertilisation using IVF or ICSI (assisted hatching is not provided)

- A fresh embryo transfer (maximum 2 embryos transferred)

- Cryopreservation of all suitable remaining embryos in line with commissioning policies

- If unsuccessful, within twelve months of cryopreservation, a frozen embryo transfer from remaining frozen embryos (maximum of 2 embryos transferred)

- A follow up consultation / pregnancy scan with fertility services post IVF treatment

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: £1,573,380

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK4 - Devon

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) confirmation of contract award notice under the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023.

NHS Devon sought to procure Fertility Services. It is intending to award a contract of 2 years (with a 1 year optional extension) , commencing 06 August 2025 to Care Fertility Group Ltd T/A

CRGW Plymouth - following Direct Award Process C of the Provider Selection Regime.

Lifetime value: £1,573,380

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

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

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

1 year optional extension

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 following line is required by FTS: '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 Procurement Act Regulations 2023 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 11 July 2025 (8 working days following publication of intention to award notice). 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: No

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

25 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

Care Fertility Group Ltd T/A CRGW Plymouth

Plymouth

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK41 - Plymouth

NHS Organisation Data Service

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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: £1,573,380

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,573,380

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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Representations by providers must be made to decision makers by midnight on 11 July 2025 (8 working days following publication of intention to award notice). They should be submitted in writing to d-icb.contracting@nhs.net.

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Award decision-makers; NHS Devon ICB POG Steering Group

No conflicts of interest, or potential conflicts of interest, were declared by any decision makers.(or note conflicts of interest; sample wording to use above)

The decision to award this contract in line with Direct Award Process C was based on evaluation against the 5 required key criteria, with weightings applied as follows:

Quality 25%

Value 25%

Integration 20%

Improving equalities 20%

Social Value 10%

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

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NHS Devon Integrated Care Board

Exeter

Country

United Kingdom