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Planning

Alliance Commissioning Co-design Workshops-MH/LD+ND

NHS Wales Shared Service Partnership

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0221

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Alliance Commissioning Co-design Workshops-MH/LD+ND

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85000000 - Health and social work services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Aneurin Bevan University Health Board (ABUHB) is running a series of interactive workshops, these have been developed to bring us all together to co-design the future service model for our local MH/LD and ND services.

This will be the first time we have done something like this, but we know it is the best way; we need to bring all parts of the jigsaw together to be able to pool our knowledge and expertise and understanding to create a service model that makes sense to people and focuses on what matters to the people we are trying to support. The co-design group will include commissioners, operational staff, providers and people with lived or living experience and we will work together over 4 sessions, using creative and interactive methods to agree what would work best and how this should be delivered.

We would like to invite suppliers who may be interested in joining these first workshop and perhaps know more about Alliancing. Dates are; 10/12/24 at 12:30PM until 2:30PM ; 14/01/25 at 12:00PM until 2:00PM ; 04/02/25 at 12:00PM until 2:00PM. Final session 04/03/25 10:00AM until 12:00PM.

The deadline for submitting your expression of interest to attend these workshops is by 12PM on Monday 25th November 2024.

To confirm interest and receive your booking information please e-mail lurdes.magalhaes@wales.nhs.uk, by 12PM on Monday 25th November 2024.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services
- 85310000 - Social work services
- 85323000 - Community health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL16 - Gwent Valleys
- UKL21 - Monmouthshire and Newport

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

An alliance contract is a contractual arrangement between commissioners and providers agreeing to collaborate to achieve a common goal. These types of contracts have been utilised in the UK and worldwide by commissioners seeking to integrate service delivery and transform service provision.

Alliances are a form of intensive partnership. There is a higher level of collaborative decision-making and shared responsibility for all activities than is usually seen in most partnerships. Instead of being a group of organisations who each separately undertake their part, coming together occasionally to review progress and report to each other, an Alliance is a more intensive collaboration where everything from planning, implementation, overall financial responsibility, risk, and day-to-day management is shared

The key features and benefits of an Alliance contract include;

- Commissioners enter into a single overarching contract with a number of providers
- Commissioners are part of the alliance
- Objectives are aligned for all parties and everyone signs up to an agreed vision and values against which the contract will be delivered (this is unanimous not “consensus driven”)
- All parties are jointly responsible for delivering the agreed outcomes
- Everybody succeeds or fails together – commissioners and providers share risk and

reward

- No organisational integration is required, whether by merging existing organisations or setting up new legal entities to deliver the services
- Commissioners pool their payment streams into a combined pot of funds, and any cost savings are shared between the parties
- Strong relationships are essential and disputes are resolved within the alliance
- Innovation is expected and built into the contract
- People receive services in a seamless way – without any barriers to having to signpost or have different referral criteria/routes – the system is flexible to meet needs, in the right way, at the right time.

II.2.14) Additional information

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

14 July 2025

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

Alliances agree to;

- work to a common goal (shared vision, purpose, objectives and outcomes)
- act in a certain way (shared principles, and values and behaviours)
- have a contractual agreement (Alignment, commitments and financial framework)

Many of the UK established alliances include the following principles in their Alliance Agreement;

- Co-production; integral to the Alliance principles the Alliance works together to produce services for the service users, and we would want this to be citizen driven
- To assume collective responsibility for all of the risks involved in providing services under a Multi-Party Alliance Agreement;
- Make decisions on a 'Best for people using services' basis; not best for the relative Alliance members organisations
- Commit to unanimous, principle and value based-decision making on all key issues;
- To adopt a culture of 'no fault, no blame' between the Alliance partners insofar as is practicable;
- Adopt open book accounting and transparency in all matters relating to the Alliance;
- Appoint and select key roles on a best person basis
- Act in accordance with agreed Alliance values and behaviours at all times

Alliance Commissioning in relation to health and social care services is a relatively recent development. However, there are a number of successful examples operating in the UK and internationally (e.g. Canterbury, New Zealand) that clearly demonstrate the advantages of collaborative partnerships in the planning, design and delivery of health and social care services that deliver significantly improved outcomes for service users.

Notable examples are;

- Glasgow within a homeless context. Glasgow Alliance -homelessness
- Lambeth as part of a well-being programme. Lambeth Mental Health and Wellbeing Alliance
- Plymouth for adults with complex needs. Plymouth Alliance

For further information and case studies, please see www.lhalliances.org.uk.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Sell2Wales Web Site at https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=146055.

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