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Contract

## **North Cumbria Waiting Well Service - iCan**

NHS NORTH EAST AND NORTH CUMBRIA INTEGRATED CARE BOARD

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

NHS NORTH EAST AND NORTH CUMBRIA INTEGRATED CARE BOARD

PEMBERTON HOUSE COLIMA AVENUE SUNDERLAND ENTERPRISE PARK

Sunderland

SR53XB

#### **Email**

[nencicb.procurement@nhs.net](mailto:nencicb.procurement@nhs.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKC23 - Sunderland

**NHS Organisation Data Service**

QHM

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://northeastnorthcumbria.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**

North Cumbria Waiting Well Service - iCan

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85323000 - Community health services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

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 and Procurement Regulations 2024 do not apply to this award.

Do to urgent need, an implied contract has been in place since 01 April 2025 but contracts were signed off 27 June 2025.

The contract is to provide the waiting well service for patients registered with General Practices that are part of the waiting well programme. The aim of the service is to support the target cohort of patients to use the time they wait for surgery to prepare mentally, emotionally, socially and physically for their procedure, with a view to helping minimise those not ready/fit for surgery, minimise recovery time post surgery and maximise surgical outcomes.

The Waiting Well programme is a sub project under of the Healthier Fairer programme. This programme was started as a proof of concept.

#### **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: £58,116

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKD1 - Cumbria

Main site or place of performance

North Cumbria

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

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The provider will provides a tiered service offer will consist of;

Complex / high level

- Up to 12x 1:1 appointment
- 12 weeks access to fitness sessions
- 12 weeks access to wellbeing sessions
- Continue check in for referral opportunities

Targeted / medium level

- Up to 6x 1:1 appointment
- 6-10 weeks access to fitness sessions
- 6-10 weeks access to wellbeing sessions
- Continue check in for referral opportunities

Universal / low level

- Up to 3x 1:1 appointment
- Sign posting and copies of service support guides
- Continue check in for referral opportunities

This will be for a 6 month contract with the option to extend for a maximum of an additional 6 months. Resulting in the opportunity of this contract length being for 12 months.

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

Quality criterion - Name: No realistic alternative provider / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Agreed financial envelope / Weighting: 100

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

Options: No

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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:

Proof of concept services. An implied contract has been in place since 01 April but contracts were signed off 27 June 2025.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Title**

North Cumbria Waiting Well Service - iCan

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

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

1 April 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**

iCan Wellbring Group

Unit 18, The Maltings, Bridge Street

Carlisle

CA25SR

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD1 - Cumbria

Charity Commission (England and Wales)

1203783

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £58,116

Total value of the contract/lot: £58,116

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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Decision to award made via the NENC ICB Contracting Subcommittee - 27 June 2025.  
Conflicts of Interest were managed and no conflicts of interest declared.

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

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

NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board

PEMBERTON HOUSE COLIMA AVENUE SUNDERLAND ENTERPRISE PARK

Sunderland

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

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