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Award

Orthotics (formally Community Appliance Service)

NHS Cheshire and Merseyside Integrated Care Board (Wirral Place)

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-042a0d

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Cheshire and Merseyside Integrated Care Board (Wirral Place)

No 1 Lakeside, Centre Park

Warrington

WA1 1QY

Contact

MLCSU Tenders North

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKD74 - Wirral

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.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

Orthotics (formally Community Appliance Service)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Midlands and Lancashire Commissioning Support Unit are working on behalf of NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB to award a contract for Elective Services - Orthotics - Wirral Place for a period of 1 year from 1st April 2024.

This will provide continuity of service for patients who have devices relevant to their care. The award will ensure all partnership working continues between the NHS Trust and the Independent Sector, that will deliver benefits, minimise disruption, and deliver financial efficiencies across the local health economy.

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: £1,700,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD74 - Wirral

Main site or place of performance

Wirral Place

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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This VEAT Notice is published under the Public Contract Regulations (PCR) 2015.

It is for clinical services which are Light Touch Regime services for the purpose of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ('Regulations') as specified in Schedule 3 of the Regulations. Accordingly, the contracting authority is only bound by those parts of the Regulations detailed in Chapter 3 Particular Procurement Regimes Section 7. The contracting authority is

not voluntarily following any other part of the Regulations.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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:

This contract was awarded under PCR 2015 Regulation 32 (1) (b) (ii), where the service can be supplied only by a particular economic operator, and no reasonable alternative exists.

This is awarded on a 1 year contract to provide essential continuity for patients who have devices relevant to their care.

The award will ensure partnership working continues between the NHS Trust and the Independent Sector that will deliver crucial benefits, and minimise unnecessary disruption

for patients at a time of great turmoil within the NHS, whilst longer term pathways are planned. This will also deliver essential financial efficiencies across the local health economy.

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/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

29 December 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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Abingdon, Oxfordshire

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Companies House

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Internet address

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £1,700,000

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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