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## **Early Intervention Vehicle**

NHS Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-038039

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-042a2b

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

NHS Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board

Charter House, Parkway

Welwyn Garden City

AL8 6JL

#### **Email**

[sarah.beaumont@attain.co.uk](mailto:sarah.beaumont@attain.co.uk)

#### **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**

Early Intervention Vehicle

Reference number

ACE-0734-2023-HWE

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

- 85100000 - Health services

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

Services

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

This is a Voluntary Ex-Ante Transparency Notice (VEAT) and is intended to provide notice of the intention of the Authority to award a contract for Early Intervention Vehicles to its incumbent Herts Urgent Care (HUC).

The proposed new contract is intended to start on 1st October 2024 ending on 30th September 2025 with the option to extend for a further year. The expected value of this contract is £669,934. The value expressed in this notice is the expected value of the 2-year period. Please note that these are expected values and may be amended post contract finalisation with the provider.

Herts Urgent Care has been providing this service since 1st October 2021 and is due to

expire on 30th September 2024. The total cumulative value of the contract since it started is £1,957,492 (excluding VAT and excluding the value of this new contract).

#### **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: £1,339,868

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKH23 - Hertfordshire

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

This is a Voluntary Ex-Ante Transparency Notice (VEAT) and is intended to provide notice of the intention of the Authority to award a contract for Early Intervention Vehicles to its incumbent Herts Urgent Care (HUC) to continue to deliver the service within the East and North Hertfordshire area.

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The Early Intervention Vehicle - HUC EiV (Early Intervention vehicle) Service provides urgent community response to people who are in crisis and at risk of hospital admission. This service is available to anyone over 18, registered with a GP practice in ENH area. Service operational Monday to Sunday and Bank Holidays 8am – 8pm

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for a further year to 30th September 2026.

### **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 will observe a voluntary 10-day standstill period prior to concluding the proposed contract with Herts Urgent Care.

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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 NHS Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board (HWE ICB) was incorporated on 1st July 2022 and includes the three previous clinical commissioning groups. Since the HWE ICB was incorporated, we have been working to review services across each 'place' to ensure that there is equity of access for our patients across the broader ICB area.

This proposed new short-term contract will allow sufficient time for the ICB to undertake a robust and complete review of commissioning plans for systems admission avoidance whilst ensuring continuity of service for our patients.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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

## **Title**

Early Intervention Vehicle

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

8 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**

Hurts Urgent Care

The Old Ambulance Centre, Ascots Lane

Welwyn Garden City

AL7 4HL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH23 - Hertfordshire

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £1,339,868

#### **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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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**

Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care Board

Charter House, Parkway

Welwyn Garden City

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