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Community based chronic pain assessment and treatment service to NHS Frimley Integrated Care Board

NHS Frimley Integrated Care Board

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Frimley Integrated Care Board

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United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ37 - North Hampshire

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.frimley.icb.nhs.uk>

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Community based chronic pain assessment and treatment service to NHS Frimley Integrated Care Board

Reference number

DAC4

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Frimley ICB ("the Commissioner") sought to commission Dr K Lothe and Partners LLP to provide a Community based chronic pain assessment and treatment service.

The normal route of referral into this Service is by a patient's registered GP Practice. Internal referrals may also be received from the Diagnostic Uncertainty service. Frimley Park Hospital Consultants may also directly refer as an alternative to a secondary care pathway for pain management for new referrals. The Community Pain pathway is aimed at patients with persistent disabling pain of more than 3 months or where the referring clinician agrees and accepts that the pain has become chronic. The Community Pain pathway delivers timely skilled interventions to reduce the cause of pain and/or to enable patients to manage their pain with psychological and behavioural support. This is achieved by using an experienced multidisciplinary (MDT) model which has access to a range of medical and non-medical interventions for people living with chronic pain.

The MDT assessment, diagnosis and treatment process offers: Comprehensive

assessment of physical functioning and to establish cause for pain; Minor direct interventions such as joint injections to peripheral joints, targeted interventions and acupuncture in line with NICE guidance; Intensive physiotherapy where indicated. Patients requiring a longer course of physiotherapy should be referred back to the patient's GP, with advice to consider onward referral to Community Physiotherapy; Behavioural and cognitive intervention to manage pain; Rehabilitation Therapy; Review of drug regime and discussion with patient on use; Agreed individually designed exercise plan and recognition of the benefits of self-management; Postural analysis and core stability; Patient education to help understand pain and pain pathways; Support and educate GPs to safely optimise analgesia and other pharmacological interventions and promote self-management (booklets, leaflets and other self-help techniques); Support and educate GPs to manage pain flare ups e.g. telephone advice.

The objective of the Service is to: Promote the highest possible quality of life for pain patients; Provide accurate diagnosis, even if this is 'medically unexplained pain'; Advice and support primary care clinicians in managing the pain elements of their patients care; Provide psychological and behavioural interventions that support patients and their carers in managing their pain, enabling them to lead more normal lives with reduced disability; Provide specialist physiotherapist assessment with rehabilitation planning and review including promotion of group programmes; Help reduce recurrent inappropriate admissions and other healthcare services by promoting self-management; Increase social and physical functioning; Promote independence and wellbeing for patients through the provision of structured self-management support thus reducing the need for other medical appointments and admissions; Where appropriate provide direct interventions to reduce and manage pain.

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: [2024/S 000-021622](#)

Section VII. Changes

VII.1) Information to be changed or added

VII.2) Other additional information

Contract Awarded 1st July 2024 expiring 31st March 2025 (the total contract length 9 months)

The intention to award notice stated that the service was to be Frimley-wide, this has since been changed to a Surrey Health only service

The total expected value of the contract for the 9-month contract term is £679,616.25.

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) confirmation of contract award notice. 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 do not apply to this award. This contract has now been formally awarded using direct award process C.