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## **Long Acting Reversible Contraception in Primary Care Settings DPS**

Kent County Council

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04c63c

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

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

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**Region code**

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Main address

<http://www.kent.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<http://www.kent.gov.uk>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=43cdd9df-d78d-ee11-8125-005056b64545>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=43cdd9df-d78d-ee11-8125-005056b64545>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

### **II.1.1) Title**

Long Acting Reversible Contraception in Primary Care Settings DPS

Reference number

DN701186

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

- 85121100 - General-practitioner services

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

Services

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

As required under the Provider Selection Regime Regulation 13(5), this is a notice of extension of the existing DPS (now managed under Direct Award B) by a further year until 30th November 2025.

Kent County Council is procuring through Primary Care, the fitting, monitoring, checking, and removal of intrauterine devices (IUDs), intrauterine systems (IUSs) and sub-dermal implants (SDIs), collectively known as long-acting reversible contraception (LARC), for contraceptive purposes only. The Council is aiming to procure a service which is available in

each Kent geographical Primary Care Network area, to ensure access for services throughout the county.

The service will be provided in primary care settings across Kent, by practitioners who hold

valid and up-to-date Letters of Competence (LoC), as issued by the Faculty of Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare (FSRH), for the procedures undertaken, or

by potential providers who have suitability to pursue the professional activity, including the

ability to:

- achieve and maintain competence to deliver LARC as specified by the FSRH as part of a

primary care pathway.

- have appropriate treatment rooms and facilities for delivery of LARC as specified by FSRH

latest clinical guidance, within each geographical GP PCN/ neighbourhood quadrant.

- ensure that patients with needs relating to uncomplicated STIs should have their care managed by appropriately skilled healthcare professionals, as defined by the latest standards specified by the British Association for Sexual Health and HIV (BASHH).

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

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

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The contract term would be from 1/12/2023-30/11/2024, with the possibility of two 12 months extensions. Contracts with Suppliers will be tariff-based and subject to change, with

no minimum guaranteed value, as the service is activity based). However, the estimated total

spends including reimbursement of the LARC devices, over 3 years is 4,100,000 GBP.

Kent County Council is looking to appoint Suppliers through a Dynamic Purchasing System,

to provide this service. The DPS is for the procurement of social and other services referred

to in Regulation 74 of the Public Contracts Regulations (2015) and as such, the intention is

to use a Light Touch Regime, rather than the full regime described in Regulation 34 (Dynamic Purchasing System).

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Start date

1 December 2023

End date

30 November 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: No

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Restricted procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

30 November 2025

Local time

11:55pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

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

Kent County Council

Maidstone

Country

United Kingdom