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Contract

## **Adult and Paediatric Orthotics and Wheelchair service NHS Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland**

NHS Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Integrated Commissioning Board (LLR ICB)

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04c959

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

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

NHS Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Integrated Commissioning Board (LLR ICB)

Room G30, Pen Lloyd Building, County Hall, Glenfield

Leicester

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#### **Email**

[paulo.sousa-cabral@nhs.net](mailto:paulo.sousa-cabral@nhs.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKF - East Midlands (England)

**NHS Organisation Data Service**

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**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://leicesterleicestershireandrutland.icb.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://leicesterleicestershireandrutland.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**

Adult and Paediatric Orthotics and Wheelchair service NHS Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85111600 - Orthotic services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

A mixed procurement to provide an end to end fully integrated Orthotic, Wheelchair and Posture Service for children, young people and adults registered with a GP located in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland ICB.

**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: £31,500,000

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 85100000 - Health services

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

NUTS codes

- UKF21 - Leicester
- UKF22 - Leicestershire CC and Rutland

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

- description of the services to be provided; -

Orthotics - To provide an end to end fully integrated Orthotic Service that provides treatment options for people with a wide range of conditions by skilled orthotists that assess, supply and fit appropriate orthoses. This can help improve quality of life by reducing pain, keeping people mobile and independent and preventing more invasive and expensive interventions like surgery, amputation or the need for social care.

To provide an end to end fully integrated wheelchair and posture service to maximise mobility and independence and improve the quality of life for Service Users and their Carers. This is delivered through timely access to appropriate assessment, provision and maintenance of equipment. Delivering a high quality service by responding to changes in Service Users' health conditions through regular reviews.

The Adult and Paediatric Orthotics and Wheelchair Services are fully integrated with a combined workforce, and delivered via this contract within the community with a requirement to locally collaborate with other providers as part of local integrated care pathways

The ICB is intending to award a contract to an existing provider through PSR Direct Award Process C, where the existing provider is satisfying the existing contract and will likely satisfy the proposed new contract, to a sufficient standard, and the contract is not changing considerably. These services are considered to be Mixed Procurement under

PSR.

The ICB is of the opinion that the current provider has established sustainable and integrated partnerships with other care providers in the local area as part of a seamless end to end pathway serving the best interests of patients and carers.

The approximate lifetime value of the new contract is £31.5m which covers the 3 years and optional 2 years extension.

The dates between which the services are intended to be provided are:

01/10/2025 - 30/09/2028 (3-year contract)

01/10/2028 - 30/09/2030 (optional 2-year extension)

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

Cost criterion - Name: The existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard / Weighting: 100

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

Options: No

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

There is an optional 2 year extension period between 01/10/2028 and 30/09/2030.

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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:

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intention to award notice. The awarding of this contract is subject to 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. The publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period. the standstill begins the day after this notice is published - Thursday 19th December 2024. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by midnight on Thursday 2nd January 2025. This contract has not been formally awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR as a mixed procurement.

#### **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**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

12 December 2024

#### **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**

Opicare Limited

Ability House, 21 Nuffield Way, Abingdon, Oxfordshire,

Abingdon

OX14 1RL

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK - South West (England)

NHS Organisation Data Service

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The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £31,500,000

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

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Email address where written representations should be sent: [llricb-llr.contracting@nhs.net](mailto:llricb-llr.contracting@nhs.net)

Details of the award decision-makers: NHS LLR ICB Board

Any declared conflicts or potential conflicts of interest of individuals making the decision and how these were managed: No conflicts of interest were declared.

Relative importance and rationale for the relative importance of the key criteria, and the rationale for choosing the provider with reference to the key

criteria: The Contracting Authority has applied equal weighting to the key criteria. The Contracting Authority has assessed the provider's suitability and technical / professional ability to undertake this service based on their current activities and performance, against the key criteria and basic selection criteria when making a decision to award this contract. The provider's economic and financial standing has been considered in proportion to the contract value and terms. The assessment demonstrates that the provider has been and is likely to continue to satisfy the requirements of the contract to a sufficient standard. The intention to award the contract is made on this basis.

### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

NHS Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Integrated Commissioning Board (LLR ICB)

Leicester

Country

United Kingdom