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Contract

Return to Midwifery programme

NHS England

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Scope

Reference

C379235

Description

There is currently no Return to Practice (RTP) Midwifery programme available in the East Midlands, creating a significant barrier for qualified midwives who want to return to the profession but are unable to travel long distances or relocate.

To address this gap, a new RTP Midwifery programme is being developed to provide a local, accessible route back into practice. Lincoln University will lead the development and delivery of the programme, supported by NHS England, which is funding a part-time Band 6 project lead to oversee its design.

The course will include local clinical placements, enabling returning midwives to complete the 450 practice hours required by the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) within nearby NHS Trusts. This initiative responds to clear regional demand and supports broader efforts to strengthen and grow the midwifery workforce.

Contract 1. Return to Midwifery Programme

Supplier

- [University of Lincoln](#)

Contract value

- £10,500 excluding VAT
- £12,600 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Date signed

30 July 2025

Contract dates

- 22 September 2025 to 22 September 2026
- 1 year, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80000000 - Education and training services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - without competition

Supplier

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

NHS England

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government

