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Contract

Pathfinder Services (support for adult survivors of sexual abuse and sexual violence)

Pennine Care NHS Foundation Trust

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-050794

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-058cb1

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Pennine Care NHS Foundation Trust

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKD35 - Greater Manchester South East

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.penninecare.nhs.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.penninecare.nhs.uk/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Pathfinder Services (support for adult survivors of sexual abuse and sexual violence)

Reference number

2526/Q83/RT2/Greater Manchester Rape Crisis

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Pathfinder Services (support for adult survivors of sexual abuse and sexual violence)

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: £154,925

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Services to be provided: Pathfinder Services (support for adult survivors of sexual abuse and sexual violence)

PCFT is intending to award a contract to an existing provider following direct award process C

Approx lifetime value of contract: £154,925

Contract dates: 1st November 2025 to 31st March 2028

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

Cost criterion - Name: N/A / Weighting: 0%

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

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 Procurement Act do not apply to this award. The publication of this notice marks the start of the standstill period. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by 4th September 2025. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR'.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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

22 August 2025

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

Greater Manchester Rape Crisis

Ardwick Green N, Manchester

Manchester

M12 6FX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £154,925

Lowest offer: £154,925 / Highest offer: £154,925 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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You should provide an address (which could be an email address) where written representations should be sent.

You must:

- include details of the award decision-makers;
- note any declared conflicts or potential conflicts of interest of individuals making the decision and how these were managed; and
- include a statement explaining the relative importance of the key criteria that the relevant authority used to make a decision, the rationale for the relative importance of the key criteria, and the rationale for choosing the provider with reference to the key criteria.

Sample wording: 'Conflicts of interest identified among [group/committee/officer]: [number]. The non-conflicted members have assessed the nature and risk of this conflict, and have decided which steps to take to avoid or manage it. [Potential steps may include: excluding the conflicted member from related discussions, excluding the conflicted member from decision-making, delegating the matter to a sub-committee of non-conflicted decision-makers, or seeking independent advice to help make the decision. This list is illustrative rather than exhaustive.]'

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Written representations should be sent to Frances Molyneux, Head of Clinical Services Contracts francesmolyneux@nhs.net, cc Sarah Kay sarah.kay26@nhs.net. The decision makers are:

- Head of Clinical Services Contracts
- Clinical Lead - Pathfinder Partnership
- Service lead for Greater Manchester Resilience Hub and SAAS Pathfinder Services
- Associate Director of Operations – Rehabilitation and High Support Care Hub Specialist Network

Conflict of interest declaration procedures followed, any decision makers who declared an interest were excluded (no interests declared in this instance)

This contract was awarded under Direct Award Process C - PCFT considers that the existing provider is satisfying the existing contract and will likely satisfy the proposed new contract. PCFT assessed the provider's service provision with respect to the key decision making criteria as outlined in the PSR. Each of these criteria were assessed on a pass/fail basis by the award decision makers, and the existing provider passed each of the criteria.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NHS England Independent Patient Choice and Procurement Panel

London

London

SE1 8UG

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/commissioning/how-commissioning-is-changing/nhs-provider-selection-regime/independent-patient-choice-and-procurement-panel/>