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Contract

Sussex Staying Well Services

Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-056385

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-0599d3

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Portland House, 44 Richmond Road

Worthing

BN11 1hs

Contact

Tope Falola

Email

tope.falola@sabp.nhs.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

Sussex partnership NHS Foundation Trust

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Sussex Staying Well Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85121270 - Psychiatrist or psychologist services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, on behalf of NHS Sussex, is commissioning a community-based mental health crisis support service—Staying Well—to provide an alternative to Emergency Departments. The service will offer a safe, psychologically informed environment for individuals aged 18+ experiencing mental distress or self-defined crisis, including those not meeting secondary care thresholds. Delivered jointly with VCSE partners, the service focuses on prevention, peer support, and bridging gaps between primary and secondary care, in line with the NHS Long Term Plan and Mental Health Five Year Forward View.

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: £2,663,417

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85121270 - Psychiatrist or psychologist services
- 85141000 - Services provided by medical personnel
- 85121270 - Psychiatrist or psychologist services
- 85323000 - Community health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

SPFT are Commissioning, on behalf of NHS Sussex, to award a contract under PSR Most Suitable Provider .

Approximate lifetime contract value £2,663,417 for initial contract period and £887,806 optional extension(s).

Contract dates: 01/10/2025 - 01/10/2028 Option to extend by 12 months.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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

II.2.14) Additional information

The authority has identified Southdown as the most suitable provider based on their ability to deliver high-quality, integrated, and accessible services that meet the needs of the population.

This notice is published in accordance with the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023.

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. Representations by providers must be made to the relevant authority by 24/09/2025. 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

3 September 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

Southdown

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East Sussex

BN7 1JU

Telephone

+44 07356137022

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ2 - Surrey, East and West Sussex

Internet address

<https://www.southdown.org/>

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: £2,663,417

Lowest offer: £2,663,417 / Highest offer: £2,663,417 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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taofeeq.ladega@sabp.nhs.uk

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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