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Planning

NHS Health Checks Outreach for Bedford Borough Council and Central Bedfordshire Council

Milton Keynes City Council
Bedford Borough Council
Central Bedfordshire Council

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Milton Keynes City Council

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Milton Keynes

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ12 - Milton Keynes

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

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I.1) Name and addresses

Bedford Borough Council

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Bedford

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procurement@bedford.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKH24 - Bedford

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.bedford.gov.uk>

I.1) Name and addresses

Central Bedfordshire Council

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SG17 5TQ

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procurement@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKH25 - Central Bedfordshire

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

NHS Health Checks Outreach for Bedford Borough Council and Central Bedfordshire Council

Reference number

2025-161

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85121231 - Cardiology services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

INTENDED APPROACH NOTICE for NHS Health Check service - Provider Selection Regime - Most Suitable Provider Notice.

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intended approach 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.

In accordance with Regulation 10 of The Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023, Milton Keynes City Council is acting on behalf of Bedford Borough Council, and Central Bedfordshire Council to award a contract under the Most Suitable Provider process as the Authorities are able to identify the most suitable provider

without running a competitive exercise, for the provision of NHS Health Checks Outreach for Bedford Borough Council and Central Bedfordshire Council.

The Contracting Authorities intend to award a single contract to the most suitable provider. This notice will be published for a minimum of 14 days in accordance with the requirements of the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulation 2023.

This is to enable providers to approach the Council and express their interest in being considered as the 'most suitable provider'.

The NHS Health Check programme aims to prevent cardiovascular disease (CVD) and associated conditions through the early assessment, awareness, and management of individual behavioural and physiological risk factors, it is aimed at all adults in England aged between 40-74 who are not currently being treated for CVD. A community outreach offer, which would work alongside GP practice delivery, which would enable patients to attend for an NHS Health Check at a venue within their own communities and/or within their workplace. Employees who are not eligible will have the opportunity to attend for an CVD check.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £193,100

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 85121230 - Cardiology services or pulmonary specialists services
- 85121231 - Cardiology services
- 85323000 - Community health services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH24 - Bedford
- UKH25 - Central Bedfordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The provider(s) will:

- deliver an outreach NHS Health Check offer in community settings, working with targeted GP practices and workplaces across both Bedford Borough Council and Central Bedfordshire.
- engage with targeted GP Practices to offer support to increase uptake of NHS Health Checks by inviting eligible patients for an NHS Health Check delivered by the provider within a community venue. Target practices will be identified by the shared Public Health team, based on a combination of Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) score and where

uptake or delivery of NHS Health Checks is low.

- engage targeted workplaces, identified by Public Health, to offer NHS Health Checks to eligible employees and CVD checks to those not eligible.
- be able to demonstrate clinical expertise, to enable the delivery of NHS Health Checks based on national best practice guidance and demonstrate existing links to GP practices across one or more of the three LAs.
- provide the clinical governance for the programme and have the relevant standard operating procedures in place, including escalation policies.
- be aware of local and national preventative services (e.g. smoking cessation, weight management, drugs and alcohol services) and either offer making a referral to appropriate preventative services or signpost users to these services.

Community Settings - NHS Health Check offer only

- The community offer will include working with GP practices to access patients eligible for an NHS Health Check plus opportunistic assessments in the community.
- GP Practices will be prioritised based on a combination of Practice IMD score and where invites and/or delivery activity is low will be given the option to utilise the outreach provider offer in community settings.
- Providers will liaise with GP practices who take up the offer to access patient lists for those eligible for an NHS Health Check who have not been invited and/or not taken up the offer on the first invitation. Providers will be expected to liaise with GP practices on the most appropriate way to contact patients to offer them a community-based NHS Health Check.
- Opportunistic NHS Health Checks, beyond those identified through GP practice lists, will also be available for eligible members of the community. Providers must establish effective ways to engage members of the community to promote and encourage uptake of an NHS Health Check.
- For Bedford and Central Bedfordshire eligible residents all assessment details must be uploaded to SystmOne to ensure follow up by GP as required. Workplaces - NHS Health Check or a CVD check
- Engage with targeted workplaces to agree on how employees will be contacted and confirm a date and time for an NHS HC/CVD check drop-in clinic to be scheduled.
- A full NHS Health Check will be offered to employees who meet the eligibility criteria.

Those not eligible or with insufficient time available for a full NHS Health Check will be offered a CVD check.

- For employees' resident in Bedford or Central Bedfordshire who have an NHS Health Check, details will be uploaded to SystmOne for GP follow up.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

23 September 2025

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) intended approach 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.'

Award decision makers are; Director of Public Health, Public Health Manager, and Primary Care and Performance Public Health Practitioner.

The intention is to award a contract using the most suitable provider process.

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