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Tender

General Dental Services and Unscheduled (Urgent Treatment) for Lot 1 Holt and Wells-next-the-Sea Lot 2 – Thetford

NHS Norfolk and Waveney Integrated Care Board

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS Norfolk and Waveney Integrated Care Board

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UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.improvinglivesnw.org.uk/

Buyer's address

https://www.improvinglivesnw.org.uk/

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome

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

General Dental Services and Unscheduled (Urgent Treatment) for Lot 1 Holt and Wellsnext-the-Sea Lot 2 – Thetford

Reference number

AG25511

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

NHS Norfolk and Waveney Integrated Care Board (referred to as the Commissioner) is inviting suitably qualified and experienced providers to deliver General Dental Services and Unscheduled (Urgent Treatment) Dental Services for Lot 1 Holt and Wells – next – the – Sea and Lot 2 – Thetford.

The service will be required to offer NHS General Dental Services across the relevant treatment Bands (Bands 1, 2 and 3), in addition to offering unscheduled care (urgent treatment) appointments. The Commissioner would like to procure the Services under an NHS General Dental Services Contract.

The aim of the service is to provide General Dental Services and Unscheduled Care (Urgent Treatment) in Holt, Wells-next-the-Sea and Thetford which will enable improved access and reduction in health inequalities in these coastal areas.

Providers are to note, the Commissioner will not be providing any premises for the delivery of the services. Therefore, it is the Provider/s responsibility to source suitable premises for the delivery of these services. The premises solution needs to be provided in line with NHS England Clinical Standards in locations that promote access. Access should be considered for those arriving on foot, bicycle, wheelchair, mobility scooters, by car or by public transport, with services being accessible by all.

As part of the tender exercise, Providers will need to provide evidence of their premises

solution, ensuring that they are in the specified locations (Holt, Wells-next-the-Sea and Thetford).

The Services are intended to be provided from 1st April 2026 and as these will be delivered under a NHS General Dental Services Contract, the contracts will have no end date.

Note - the Estimated Total Value in section II.1.5.1 - Estimated Total Value is based on the annual contract value of both Lot 1 and 2 combined as the General Dental Services contract has no end date and is held in perpetuity.

Please note the deadline for responses to the Competitive Process is 10:00am on Wednesday 22nd October 2025.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,206,165

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 - Holt and Wells - next - the - Sea

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 85131000 - Dental-practice services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKH16 - North and West Norfolk

Main site or place of performance

Holt and Wells – next – the – Sea

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Commissioner expects the service to be delivered from two sites, one in Holt and one in Wells (this will be delivered as one contract).

The estimated annual contract value for the service is £706,165 which include approximately 18,559 UDAs and approximately 2 unscheduled care sessions per week.

Please note: The Services are intended to be provided from 1st April 2026 and as this is an NHS General Dental Services Contract, the contract will have no end date, therefore please ignore the end date in section II.2.7.4 End date below.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £706,165

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

1 April 2026

End date

31 March 2040

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 - Thetford

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 85130000 - Dental practice and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKH17 - Breckland and South Norfolk

Main site or place of performance

Thetford

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Commissioner expects the service to be delivered from one site, which is to be located in Thetford.

The estimated annual contract value for the service is £500,000 this is likely to include approximately 12,574 UDAs and approximately 2 unscheduled care sessions per week

The Services are intended to be provided from 1st April 2026 and as this is an NHS General Dental Services Contract, the contract will have no end date, therefore please ignore the end date in section II.2.7.4 End date below.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £500,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Start date

1 April 2026

End date

31 March 2040

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

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Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

Key points for consideration for interested providers are that they: -

- 1. Must already be a current provider for dental services or have necessary experience.
- 2. Already be CQC registered or with the imminent intention to become registered with the CQC within the mobilisation period.
- 3. Must be willing to work with system partners (e.g. 111 or other primary care providers) who will signpost patients to the service.
- 4. Must have suitable premises (please refer to procurement documentation for further details) or plans in place.

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: 2025/S 000-056894

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

22 October 2025

Local time

10:00am

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

22 October 2025

Local time

10:00am

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

This is a Provider Selection Regime (PSR) Contract 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 2023 do not apply to this award.

The Contracting Authority will be using an eTendering system for this procurement exercise. Further information and the ITT documentation can be found via the 'Live Opportunities' list on the e-tendering system at the following link:

https://atamis-1928.my.salesforce-sites.com/?SearchType=Projects

You can also register your interest via this page. You can search for the opportunity by entering the following contract reference: C389490: General Dental Services and Unscheduled (Urgent Treatment) for Lot 1 Holt and Wells-next-the-Sea Lot 2 – Thetford.

The Basic Selection Questions are Pass/Fail and the award criteria for the Key Criteria Questions are as follows and these will be scored on a 0-5 scoring mechanism;

Key Criteria 1: Quality and Innovation: 46.00%

Key Criteria 2: Value: 5.00%

Key Criteria 3: Integration, Collaboration and Services Sustainability: 6.00%

Key Criteria 4: Improving Access, Reducing Health Inequalities and Facilitating Choice:

33.00%

Key Criteria 5: Social Value: 10.00%

The evaluation stages are as follows;

Stage 1: Preliminary compliance review

Stage 2: Evaluation of the Basic Selection Question

Stage 2a: Moderation Stage 2b: Clarification

Stage 2c: Re-Moderation if required

Stage 3: Evaluation of Key Criteria Questions

Stage 3a: Moderation

Stage 3b: Clarification

Stage 3c: Re-Moderation if required

Neither the publication of this notice nor the employment of any particular terminology nor any other indication shall be taken to mean that the Contracting Authority intends to hold itself bound by any of the Regulations.

Please see published procurement documentation for further details.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NHS England Independent Patient Choice and Procurement Panel

London

London

SE1 8UG

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United Kingdom

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