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Contract

## **Integrated Community Care Service providing Step Down Beds to Patients with Spinal Cord Injuries**

MERSEY AND WEST LANCASHIRE TEACHING HOSPITALS NHS TRUST

F03: Contract award notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

MERSEY AND WEST LANCASHIRE TEACHING HOSPITALS NHS TRUST

Whiston Hospital, Warrington Rd

Prescot

L355DR

#### **Contact**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKD71 - East Merseyside

**NHS Organisation Data Service**

RBN

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Integrated Community Care Service providing Step Down Beds to Patients with Spinal Cord Injuries

Reference number

C377324

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 85100000 - Health services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

Integrated Community Care Service providing 5 Step Down Beds to Patients with Spinal

Cord Injuries.

#### **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: £242,410

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

This is an Intention to Award Notice - to inform market of the Relevant Authority's intention to Award a Contract for an Integrated Community Care Service providing Step Down Beds to Patients with Spinal Cord Injuries under the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023, following a competitive process.

The lifetime value of the contract is expected to be £242,410.

This is an existing service and will be delivered by a new provider. It is anticipated that the service will commence on 21st November 2025 for a term of 6 months.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Pricing / Weighting: 40

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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## **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 000-042535](#)

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## **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**

10 November 2025

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Blue Marine Care LLP

Suite 7, Arkleigh Mansions, 200 Brent Street,

London

NW4 1BJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Companies House

OC454672

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £242,410

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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 2023 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 midnight on 20th November 2025. This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

The award criteria and weightings for this procurement was:

Key Criteria: Quality and innovation 20%

Key Criteria: Value 40%

Key Criteria: Integration, Collaboration and service sustainability 15%

Key Criteria: Improving access, reducing health inequalities, and facilitating choice 15%

Key Criteria: Social Value 10%

The chosen provider was selected due to achieving the highest score across the key criteria used.

This decision has been made by the Trust's evaluation team.

Joanne Worman - Directorate Manager, CSS & Community Services

Sandra McCarthy - Service Manager, Intermediate Care Team

No conflicts of interest were identified.

Please contact [christina.fletcher@merseywestlancs.nhs.uk](mailto:christina.fletcher@merseywestlancs.nhs.uk) with any written representations, ensuring the following details are referenced:

Project reference: C377324

Project title: Integrated Community Care Service providing Step Down Beds to Patients with Spinal Cord Injuries

If no representations are received before midnight on 20th November 2025, then the standstill period will come to an end and the relevant authority can proceed with contract award.

## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Mersey and West Lancs NHS Trust

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