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Contract

NHSE978 North East Adult Sexual Assault Referral Centre Services

NHS England North East and Yorkshire

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

NHS England North East and Yorkshire

Newcastle upon Tyne

NE15 8NX

Email

necsu.neprocurement@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKC2 - Northumberland and Tyne and Wear

NHS Organisation Data Service

Q74

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/north-east-yorkshire/>

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

NHSE978 North East Adult Sexual Assault Referral Centre Services

Reference number

NHSE978

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 85100000 - Health services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

North East Adult Sexual Assault Referral Centre Services for the Cleveland, Durham and Northumbria police force areas.

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: £6,088,936

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

North East Adult Sexual Assault Referral Centre Services

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The Relevant Authority is intending to award a contract to the existing provider following Direct Award Process C.

The publication of this notice marks the start of the Standstill Period.

Representations by providers must be made to the decision makers by 08 December 2025.

This contract has not yet formally been awarded; this notice serves as an intention to award under the PSR.

The contract will commence on 01 April 2026 and conclude on 31 March 2030.

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

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: 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:

The Relevant Authority intends to issue a contract via Direct Award Process C.

The Relevant Authority has taken into account the key criteria and applied the basic selection criteria, and is content that the existing provider is satisfying the original contract and will likely satisfy the proposed contract to a sufficient standard.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract

Title

North East Adult Sexual Assault Referral Centre Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

25 November 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

Mountain Healthcare Limited

1st Floor, Station Place, Argyle Way

Stevenage

SG1 2AD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH2 - Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire

Companies House

05578727

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: £6,088,936

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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Written representations should be sent to: necsu.psrprocurement@nhs.net

The award decision was made by:

Health and Justice Local Governance Group for North East and Yorkshire: Head of Health and Justice (North East and Yorkshire), Head of Health and Justice (Cumbria and North East), Senior Commissioning Manager (Cumbria and North East), Quality Manager (Yorkshire and the Humber), Health and Justice Public Health Lead, Consultant in Public Health (North East and Yorkshire), Senior Commissioning Manager (Yorkshire and the Humber), Head of Finance (North East and Yorkshire), Commissioning Manager (Cumbria and North East) and Business Support Officer.

Regional Leadership Group of NHS England North East and Yorkshire: Regional Director of Specialised Commissioning and Health and Justice, Deputy Director of Specialised Commissioning and Health and Justice, Director of Nursing Direct Commissioning, Head of Communications and Engagement - North, Head of Specialised Commissioning North East and North Cumbria and Regional Networks, Head of Health and Justice North East and Yorkshire, Health of Specialist Commissioning Yorkshire and the Humber, Head of Specialised Mental Health, Head of Supplier Management, Principal Pharmacist, Head of Public Health and Specialised Commissioning Transformation Yorkshire and the Humber and Business Support Officer.

The Relevant Authority, as part of the Direct Award C process, have reviewed the key criteria. The evidence shows that the Provider can satisfy the proposed new contract.

The evidence shows that the current Provider is providing a high quality service which is inclusive to meet the needs of the population they serve. The provider is passionate within the sector that it serves and shows both compassion, empathy and support to the

victims/survivors of sexual assault as well as their staff. The trauma informed environment and the commitment to ensuring ISO 15189 is achieved within the current contract term is evident. The provider is seeking improvements to their service to ensure equity for all.

The information gathered evidences that the incumbent provider meets the key criteria and gives assurance that they can continue to provide the service within the new contract.

All involved in the process completed a conflict of interest declaration. No conflicts were identified.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

NHS England North East and Yorkshire

Newcastle upon Tyne

Email

necsu.psrprocurement@nhs.net

Country

United Kingdom