

United Kingdom-Exeter: Health services
OJ S 168/2020 31/08/2020
Contract award notice
Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: NHS Devon Clinical Commissioning Group

Postal address: County Hall, Topsham Road

Town: Exeter

NUTS code: UKK4 Devon

Postal code: EX2 4QD

Country: United Kingdom

Contact person: Garry Mitchell, Deputy Director of Procurement, NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit

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Internet address(es):

Main address: <https://devonccg.nhs.uk/>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/scwcsu.aspx/Home>

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

NHS Devon CCG – Termination of Pregnancy Services to Devon CCG

Reference number: PR003705

II.1.2. Main CPV code

85100000 Health services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

NHS Devon CCG has appointed a prime provider in the locality of Devon to provide a termination of pregnancy service within the community.

The service will provide:

Counselling and assessment.

The choice of medical or surgical ToP before 24+ 0 week's gestation.

Contraception

Completion of forms required under the Abortion Act.
Follow up care (if clinically indicated or required by the service user).
Consultations by phone or video call depending on preference.
Settings of services to include both hospital and in the community.
This procurement was carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioners.

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.7. Total value of the procurement

Value excluding VAT: 2 755 801,00 GBP

II.2. Description

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UKK4 Devon

Main site or place of performance: Devon.

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

Devon CCG has appointed a prime provider in the locality of Devon CCG to provide a Termination of Pregnancy Service within the community.

The service will provide:

- counselling and assessment,
- choice of medical or surgical ToP before 24+ 0 week's gestation,
- contraception; the provider will ensure that the full range of reversible contraceptive options are available for women on the same day as the ToP by staff who have the knowledge and skills to provide these. This will include implants and intrauterine devices if this is the women's preference. For women having medical ToP and who choose depot medroxyprogesterone acetate as contraception this must be provided at the same appointment they take mifepristone. They will ensure that there is a risk of ongoing pregnancy but that it will be low,
- completion of forms required under the Abortion Act,
- follow up care (if clinically indicated or required by the service user).

The service being provided will be sensitive to the service user's needs and feelings.

Information both written and verbal will be provided in an objective and non-judgmental way, which allows service users to make choices. The provider will inform the service user that ToP does not increase the risk of long-term health problems. Information will be provided about the benefits and risks of medical and surgical methods of termination without being directive, so that women can make their own choices. Guidelines have been provided which detail these and differentiate risks and benefits for each by gestational stage. Information will be provided as early as possible to help women prepare, ensuring that they know what the process involves and what stages happen next in terms of pain and bleeding and what to expect. The provider will use a variety of formats to explain this. If the ToP method is medical, information will be shared of what they may see, what it will look like and whether there may be movement. If the ToP is at home the service will include explanations on how to be sure that the pregnancy has passed. Signs and symptoms will be provided to ensure that the service user has indications on when they may need to seek medical help and who they should contact. Information will be provided about the different ways of handling foetal remains. If the ToP is for foetal anomaly and this is not within a maternity setting, the service user will have clear referral pathways and communication routes to enable easy transfer and access to information about the anomaly.

- consultations by phone or video call depending on preference,

— settings of services to include both hospital and in the community.

This procurement was carried out by NHS South, Central and West Commissioning Support Unit (SCW) on behalf of the Commissioners.

II.2.5. Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Service model and delivery / Weighting: 14

Quality criterion - Name: Clinical, quality and governance / Weighting: 14

Quality criterion - Name: Workforce and training / Weighting: 14

Quality criterion - Name: IM&T / Weighting: 8

Quality criterion - Name: Premises / Weighting: 6

Quality criterion - Name: Patient focus, equality and diversity / Weighting: 6

Quality criterion - Name: Implementation and contract management / Weighting: 8

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11. Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options:

The contract will be for a term of 5 years. At the end of the 5 years term the commissioner will have the option to extend the initial period up to a maximum of a further 2 years.

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 services are healthcare services falling within Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ('the Regulations') which are not subject to the full regime of the Regulations, but is instead governed by the 'Light Touch Regime' contained within Chapter 3, Section 7 of the Regulations (Regulations 74 to 77).

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

IV.2. Administrative information

IV.2.1. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number in the OJ S: [2019/S 169-413322](#)

IV.2.8. Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system

IV.2.9. Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

Section V: Award of contract

Contract No: 1

Title:

NHS Devon CCG – Termination of Pregnancy Services

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2. Award of contract

V.2.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

04/05/2020

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

Official name: Marie Stopes International

Postal address: 1 Conway Street

Town: London

NUTS code: UKI London

Postal code: W1T 6LP

Country: United Kingdom

Telephone: +44 2076366200

Internet address: <https://www.mariestopes.org.uk/>

The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: 2 755 801,00 GBP

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V.2.5. Information about subcontracting

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3. Additional information

The services are healthcare services falling within Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ('the Regulations') which were not subject to the full regime of the Regulations, but is instead governed by the 'Light Touch Regime' contained within Chapter 3, Section 7 of the Regulations (Regulations 74 to 77).

The tendering process was conducted in accordance with the requirements and flexibilities provided by Articles 74 to 76 of the Directive, and Regulations 74 to 76 of the Regulations. The authority ran a transparent tender process, treating all Bidders equally. For the avoidance of doubt, the authority will not be bound by the Regulations or the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union or any other regulations or legislation except for the specific parts or circumstances that apply to the procurement of these Services.

Neither the inclusion of a selection stage, nor the use of any language or terms found in the Directive or Regulations, nor the description of the procedure voluntarily adopted by the Authority ('Open', 'Restricted', 'Competitive Procedure with Negotiation', 'Competitive Dialogue' or any other description), nor any other indication, shall be taken to mean that the Authority intends to hold itself bound by the Directive or Regulations, save by the provisions applicable to services coming within the scope of Annex XIV of the Directive/Schedule 3 of the Regulations.

The contracting authority has voluntarily observed the award decision notices provisions and held a 10 day standstill period as described in Regulation 86 of the Regulations. Deadline for lodging of appeals should be in accordance with Regulation 87 and Regulation 91 of the Regulations.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: NHS Devon Clinical Commissioning Group
Postal address: County Hall, Topsham Road
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VI.4.2. Body responsible for mediation procedures

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VI.4.3. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:
As described in VI.3), deadline for lodging of appeals should be in accordance with Regulation 87 and Regulation 91 of the 2015 Regulations.

VI.4.4. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

26/08/2020