

Sexual Health Market Engagement Advert

Provider Event: Information about forthcoming West Northamptonshire Council (WNC) competitive tenders for Integrated Sexual Health Services (sexual and reproductive health) in West Northamptonshire

Contract Summary

Contract term: 8 years (4 year initial contracts with the option to extend by 2 years and a further 2 years)

Location of Contract: East Midlands

Published Date: 9th May 2024

Closing: 30th May 2024

Description

Provider Event: Monday 3rd June 2024 10.30am-12mid-day and Tuesday 4th June 2024 3.30-5pm

West Northamptonshire Council is pleased to advise they will be going out to tender for new Integrated Sexual Health Services (sexual and reproductive health) for West Northamptonshire.

This will be an overarching approach to delivering a comprehensive offer of Level 1, 2 & 3 prevention, testing, treatment and management services for:

- Sexually transmitted infections (STIs); blood borne viruses (BBV)
- HIV prevention, including pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) and post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP)
- Chlamydia screening programme for 15–24-year-olds and older adults
- Full range of contraceptive provisions, including Long Acting Reversible Contraception (LARC) and Emergency Hormonal Contraception (to be delivered by Provider/or subcontracted by Provider or Local Authority) and condom distribution (c-card)
- Health promotion and prevention activities
- Outreach Service
- Young people's specific services

Background information

The current provision of integrated open access sexual health services, HIV treatment and care services comes to an end in 31st March 2025.

The current service covers the whole footprint of Northamptonshire. Since the service commenced in 2019 there has been local government reform that abolished Northamptonshire County Council and the county's seven district and borough councils and formed two new unitary Councils – West Northamptonshire Council (WNC) and North Northamptonshire Council (NNC). WNC covers the districts of Daventry, Northampton and South Northamptonshire.

What is the event about?

The process of re-tendering has seen the completion of the West Northamptonshire Council (WNC) Sexual Health Needs Assessments to look at the individual needs of the West Northamptonshire

population. As a result WNC is seeking to procure a separate Integrated Sexual Health Services to meet the needs of the West Northamptonshire population.

This will be an opportunity for potential providers to:

- Discuss and understand the priorities, visions and strategies of West Northamptonshire Council;
- Understand the expected approach of WNC to awarding the contract for these services;
- Provide WNC commissioners with feedback to shape their requirements before they commence the procurement processes.

Where and When?

There will be two identical virtual events (on MS Teams), led by Commissioning and Procurement colleagues, to explore service redesign options and discuss the tender processes. These events will be held on:

Monday 3rd June 2024 10.30am-12mid-day

Tuesday 4th June 2024 3.30-5pm

The times above will include opportunity after the presentations for open questions and answers and where possible individual questions.

The tender opportunity is expected to be published in August 2024. Further details will be explained at the event.

To participate in one of the provider events and register your interest, please complete the Attendance Form by 30th May 2024: <https://forms.office.com/e/bQ93fFhm2X>

Participants will then receive confirmation of their event reservation and meeting joining instructions.

Please also use the form to give feedback, suggestions or questions if you can't attend the events.

We look forward to seeing you at the event. To find out more about WNC visit www.westnorthants.gov.uk

Should you have any queries regarding the event please contact joanne.spenceley@westnorthamptonshire.gov.uk

NOTE: Once the events have concluded, feedback will be shared amongst participants and prospective tenderers.