The Trust is seeking to partner with a third sector / VCSE organisation to provide an interface between the delivery of acute, complex care and forensic services within the South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust and independent living. Many individuals with more complex care needs and/or a forensic history require a clinical environment to step down into - this client group will no longer require inpatient care in the acute, complex care and forensic service settings, but are not yet ready for independent living.

The Trust aims to develop an enhanced-care approach to community beds for this group of service users, providing clinically led 24/7 support in a less restrictive setting as part of a stepped pathway to independent living. The Trust is seeking a provider who will work closely with the Trust care teams to deliver personalised interventions that help individuals understand their condition, manage their health, and develop the skills needed for independent living within an enhanced community bedded provision. The model will initially comprise 8-10 beds, with potential for expansion based on its success and learnings.

The provider must have a proven track record in delivering community-based, clinically led services for complex and/or forensic patients including alternative bed types in the community. The provider may also be required to secure appropriate estate within SLaM's geographical patch (Lambeth, Southwark, Lewisham, and Croydon) for delivery of the service. If your organisation has the expertise and experience to support this initiative, we invite you to engage with us in this premarket engagement exercise.

The Trust intends to hold a Pre-Market Engagement Event on Friday 07 March 2025 at 12pm. This will be held via Microsoft Teams. Please confirm you wish to attend by sending your attendees details (name and email address) via the message facility on the portal.