**Voluntary ex ante transparency notice**

Directive 2014/23/EU

Directive 2014/24/EU

Directive 2014/25/EU

Directive 2009/81/EC

## Section I: Contracting authority/entity

**I.1) Name and addresses**

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| Official name: Tower Hamlets Clinical Commissioning Group | | | National registration number: 2 |
| Postal address: Alderney Building, 2nd floor, Bancroft Road, | | | |
| Town: London | NUTS code: UKI12 | Postal code: E1 4DG | Country: United Kingdon |
| Contact person: | | | Telephone: +44 2038661543 |
| E-mail: [nelcsu.welcpod-procurement@nhs.net](mailto:nelcsu.welcpod-procurement@nhs.net) | | | Fax: |
| **Internet address(es)**  Main address: *(URL)*  Address of the buyer profile: *(URL)* | : <http://www.towerhamletsccg.nhs.uk/> | | |

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

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| Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions  National or federal agency/office  Regional or local authority | Regional or local agency/office  Body governed by public law  European institution/agency or international organisation ◯  Other type: |

**I.5) Main activity** (in the case of a notice published by a contracting authority)

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| General public services  Defence  Public order and safety  Environment  Economic and financial affairs  Health | Housing and community amenities  Social protection  Recreation, culture and religion  Education  Other activity: |

**I.6) Main activity** (in the case of a notice published by a contracting entity)

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| Production, transport and distribution of gas and heat  Electricity  Public order and safety  Extraction of gas and oil  Exploration and extraction of coal and other solid fuels  Water | Railway services  Urban railway, tramway, trolleybus or bus services  Port-related activities  Airport-related activities  Other activity  Postal services |

## Section II: Object

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

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| **II.1.1) Title: Tower Hamlets Community Phlebotomy Service** | Reference number: Not Provided |
| **II.1.2) Main CPV code** 85000000 - Health and social work services.  Supplementary CPV code: 1, 2 [ 8 ][ 5 ][ 1 ][ 0 ]0000 | |
| **II.1.3) Type of contract**  Works  Supplies  Services | |
| **II.1.4) Short description:**  Tower Hamlets CCG is committed to ensuring local residents receive high quality care, close to home. The Community Phlebotomy Service, delivered seamlessly with Primary Medical services enable patients to have access to routine blood samples, glucose tests and domiciliary blood testing services in the community, meaning that hospital referral is the last resort. | |
| **II.1.6) Information about lots**  This contract is divided into lots  yes  no | |
| **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement** (excluding VAT)  Value: £1,560,000, over 3 years (520,000 per annum)  Currency: GBP  (for framework agreements – total maximum value for their entire duration)  (for contracts based on framework agreements, if required – value of contract(s) not included in previous contract award notices) | |

**II.2) Description** 1

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| **II.2.1) Title:** 2 | Lot No: 2 |
| **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)** 2  Not Provided | |
| **II.2.3) Place of performance**   UKI12 Inner London - East | |
| **II.2.4) Description of the procurement:** Tower Hamlets CCG are to contract with Tower Hamlets GP Care Group for the provision of the community phlebotomy service within Tower Hamlets. A procurement process has not been followed as these services need to be delivered seamlessly with core general practice, from the majority of general practice locations. The service is also explicitly linked to list-based enhanced services for those patients with long term conditions who receive additional ‘packages of care’. For these reasons they can only be undertaken by GP practices of Tower Hamlets with the support and coordination function of the Tower Hamlets GP Federation. Tower Hamlets GP Care Group, is a GP federation whose members comprise all 36 GP practices in Tower Hamlets and they will hold the contract on behalf of local practices. | |
| **II.2.5) Award criteria** 8  (Directive 2014/EU/Directive 2014/25/EU)  Not Provided  Directive 2014/23/EU  Criterion: 1 (award criteria should be given in descending order of importance) | |
| **II.2.11) Information about options**  Options Yes  No.  Description of options: [include details about the options here] | |
| **II.2.13) Information about European Union funds** 5, 19  The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds  yes  no Identification of the project: [if yes, specify the project] | |
| **II.2.14) Additional information:** The contract will be for 3 years from December 1st April 2018 to 31st November 2021, with the option to extend for a further two years. | |

## Section IV: Procedure

**IV.1) Description**

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| **IV.1.1) Type of procedure** (please complete Annex D)  Negotiated procedure without prior publication (in accordance with Article 32 of Directive 2014/24/EU)  Negotiated procedure without prior call for competition (in accordance with Article 50 of Directive 2014/25/EU)  Award of a concession without prior publication of a concession notice (in accordance with Article 31(4) of Directive 2014/23/EU)  Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the Official Journal of the European Union in the cases listed below (please complete point 2 of the Annex D) |
| **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement**  The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement |
| **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**  The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement  yes  no |

**IV.2) Administrative information**

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| **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure** 2  Notice number in the OJS: Not provided |

## Section V: Award of Contract/Concession 1

Contract No: Not Provided Lot No: Not Provided Title: Tower Hamlets CCG Phlebotomy Service

**V.2) Award of Contract/concession**

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| **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision**: (26/11/2018) | | | |
| **V.2.2) Information about tenders**  The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators  Yes  No | | | |
| **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire** 1 | | | |
| Official name: Tower Hamlets GP Care Group CiC | | | National registration number: 2 |
| Postal address: St. Andrews Health Centre, 2 Hannaford Walk, London, | | | |
| Town: London | NUTS code: UKI12 | Postal code: E3 3FF, | Country: United Kingdom |
| E-mail: | | | Telephone: +44 2070936721 |
| Internet address: (URL) <http://www.gpcaregroup.org/> | | | Fax: |
| The contractor/concessionaire will be an SME  Yes  no (SME – as defined in Commission Recommendation 2003/361/EC) | | | |
| **V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/concession** (excluding VAT)  Initial estimated total value of the contract/concession: 2 £1,560,000, over 3 years (520,000 per annum)  Currency: GBP  For framework agreements – total maximum value for this lit  For contracts based on framework agreements, if required – value of contract(s) for this lot not included in previous contract award notice. | | | |
| **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting** 8  The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted  Value or proportion likely to be subcontracted to third parties 4  Value excluding VAT: [ ] Currency: [ ]  Proportion: [ ]  Short description of the part of the contract to be sub-contracted: | | | |

## Section VI: Complementary information

**VI.3) Additional information** 2

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**VI.4) Procedures for review**

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| **VI.4.1) Review body** | | |
| Official name:   NEL Commissioning Support Unit | | |
| Postal address: Clifton House, 75 – 77 Worship Street, | | |
| Town: London, | Postal code: EC2A 2DU, | Country: United Kingdom |
| E-mail: [nelcsu.welcpod-procurement@nhs.net](mailto:nelcsu.welcpod-procurement@nhs.net) | | Telephone: +44 2038662498 |
| Internet address: *(URL)* | | Fax: |
| **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**2 | | |
| Official name: NEL Commissioning Support Unit | | |
| Postal address: Clifton House, 75 – 77 Worship Street, | | |
| Town: London | Postal code: EC2A 2DU | Country: United Kingdom |
| E-mail: [nelcsu.welcpod-procurement@nhs.net](mailto:nelcsu.welcpod-procurement@nhs.net) | | Telephone: +44 2038662498 |
| Internet address: *(URL)* | | Fax: |
| **VI.4.3) Review procedure**  Not Provided | | |
| **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**2 | | |
| Official name: NEL Commissioning Support Unit | | |
| Postal address: Clifton House, 75 – 77 Worship Street, | | |
| Town: London | Postal code: EC2A 2DU | Country: United Kingdom |
| E-mail: [nelcsu.welcpod-procurement@nhs.net](mailto:nelcsu.welcpod-procurement@nhs.net) | | Telephone: +44 2038662498 |
| Internet address: *(URL)* | | Fax: |

**VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice:** *14/11/2018*

*It is the contracting authority's/contracting entity's responsibility to ensure compliance with European Union law and any applicable laws.*

1. *please repeat as many times as needed*
2. *if applicable*
3. *please repeat as many times as needed if this notice is for prior information only*
4. *if this information is known*
5. *please repeat as many times as needed*
6. *if applicable*
7. *if this information is known*
8. *Optional information*
9. *importance may be given instead of weighting*
10. *importance may be given instead of weighting; if price is the only award criterion, weighting is not used*

Annex D1 – General procurement

Justification for the award of the contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the Official Journal of the European Union

Directive 2014/24/EU

*(please select the relevant option and provide an explanation)*

**1. Justification for the choice of the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a call for competition in accordance with Article 32 of Directive 2014/24/EU**

No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to:

open procedure

restricted procedure

The products involved are manufactured purely for the purpose of research, experiment, study or development under conditions stated in the directive (for supplies only)

The works, supplies services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reasons:

absence of competition for technical reasons

procurement aiming at the creation or acquisition of a unique work of art or artistic performance

protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable for the contracting authority and in accordance with the strict conditions stated in the directive.

Additional deliveries b the original supplier ordered under the strict conditions stated in the directive

New works/services, constituting a repetition of existing work/services and ordered in accordance with strict conditions stated in the directive.

Service contract to be awarded to the winner or one of the winners under the rules of a design contract

Procurement of supplies quoted and purchased on a commodity market

Purchase of supplies/services on particularly advantageous terms

from a supplier which is definitely winding up its business activities

from the liquidator in an insolvency procedure, an arrangement with creditors or a similar procedure under national laws and regulations

**2. Other justification for the award of the contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the Official Journal of the European Union**

The procurement fall outside the scope of application of the directive.

**3. Explanation**

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| Our proposal is to award this contract to the Tower Hamlets GP Care Group, which is a GP federation whose members comprise all 37 GP practices in Tower Hamlets, by use of a waiver under the provisions of the NHS Regulations 2013 and its focus on integration, avoidance of cost duplication and serving the needs of patients.  The Tower Hamlets GP Care Group will hold the contract on behalf of TH practices, ensuring back-office functions of the service can be managed centrally, offering a more cost effective model.  Community phlebotomy services are an integral part of the general practice offer in Tower Hamlets, ensuring that patients with acute and chronic conditions have access to a seamless and integrated offer close to their home. In particular, blood tests form a core component of the ‘year of care’ model for those with long term conditions, which is delivered in general practice via the list-based local enhanced services. This service requires patients have annual reviews where a range of clinical and non-clinical checks are undertaken, including routine phlebotomy for many of those patients. Ensuring that patients are treated in a person-centered approach is a core part of the requirement of this service, with a key focus to patients being holistically managed in one appointment.  Furthermore, patients are highly satisfied with their ability to currently access phlebotomy services within their own/neighboring practices. It is expected that an external provider would struggle to negotiate access to clinical rooms for a stand-alone service (operating outside of the care packages described above) with individual surgeries.  This will also enable a broader population health approach to the management of patients under the enhanced service and support a more collaborative approach to the delivery of care, enabling practices to share workforce during a period where all practices are experiencing significant recruitment challenges. |