



Expression of Interest

Health and Social Care Direct Payment Support and Associated Services

Plymouth City Council (PCC) in conjunction with NHS Devon are seeking expressions of interests from organisations who would be interested in providing Direct Payment Support and Associated Services.

The Direct Payment recipient will receive agreed funds via a prepaid card to arrange their care directly, promoting choice and control on how and who will deliver their care and support. Direct Payments should be used flexibly and innovatively as long as it is used to meet identified eligible care and support needs.

Current Services

Plymouth City Council and NHS Devon support approximately x835 Direct Payment recipients:

- Adult Social Care: x631
- Children, Young People and Families: SEND x121
- NHS Devon: x83

Services in Scope

- Direct Payment Support and Advice: approximately x835
- Direct Payment Managed Accounts: approximately x331
- Direct Payment Support with DBS processing: numbers will vary with service requirements
- Direct Payment Payroll Services: approximately x310

Proposed Contract

The Commissioners intend to re-procure these services with a planned start date of Tuesday 30 September 2025. Contract period will be for 3 years plus 3 additional years in increments, with an end date subject to extension(s) of Monday 29 September 2031.

Current Annual Contract Value (based on 2023/2024 figures):

- Direct Payment Support service and advice £183,291
- Managed Accounts £37,085
- DBS support: DBS baseline cost as per service requirements
- Payroll and associated services £47,250

Commissioners are committed to promoting Equality and Diversity and eliminating unlawful discrimination. Equality will be built into all aspects of the procurement cycle to reflect this.

To register for this opportunity, please search '*Health and Social Care Direct Payment Support and Associated Services*' opportunity on [Supplying the South West Portal](#). Complete "Appendix A Direct Payment and Associated Services Form". Attach the form to the message and send to the project team by **5pm Thursday 19th September 2024**.

PLEASE NOTE: This is not a procurement process and by expressing an interest via the portal, you are not confirming your participation in any upcoming procurement exercises.

This is an expression of interest exercise which will help Plymouth City Council to gauge the level of interest and decide on the most suitable procurement process.

Plymouth City Council and NHS Devon will treat any information provided strictly in confidence.