



HSE Board Briefing Template

Subject: HSE Ref 22185 Contract Approval Request (CAR) for Dental Extractions for Children Under General Anaesthesia

Total Contract Value: [REDACTED] (Incl. VAT) initial term of 24 months and 2 x 12 month extensions

Annual Contract Value : [REDACTED] (Incl. VAT)

Awarded Supplier: UPMC Kildare

Incumbent Supplier : N/A - Various non-compliant local arrangements with private providers throughout CHOs 6, 7, 8 and 9 areas

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Why is this information being brought to the Board's attention?

Approval required as value of contract is greater than €10 million.

Is there an action by the Board required, if so please provide detail?

Approval for appointing UPMC Kildare to provide Dental Extractions for Children Under General Anaesthesia as required in CHOs 6, 7 and 9 following an open tender competition.

Please indicate which of the Board's objectives this relates to;

- The development and implementing of an effective Corporate Governance Framework, incorporating clinical governance and a performance management and accountability system; ☐
- Developing a plan for building public trust and confidence in the HSE and the wider health service; ☐
- Ensuring the HSE's full support for and implementation of the Government's programme of health reform as set out in the Sláintecare Implementation Strategy; ☐
- Exercising effective budgetary management, including improving the value achieved with existing resources and securing target saving, with the objective of delivering the National Service Plan within Budget. ☒

Brief summary of link to Board objectives.

The HSE is required to comply with the Procurement Regulations and Guidelines. The Award of the Contract will ensure the HSE complies with its obligations.

Background - provide context in order to ensure that the Board fully understand the issue.

- In June 2023, the Primary Care Manager for CHO 7 initially submitted a PSR (22185) for a combined tender for dental extractions for children under general anaesthesia for the CHOs 6, 7 and 9 areas. The requirement was for hospital-based services and the extractions could only be provided by dentists or oral surgeons.
- During this time a PSR (HSE 22604) for similar requirements was received from CHO 8. Their requirement was for the treatment of approx. [REDACTED] children per year.
- HSE Procurement recommended that a single tender competition for all four CHOs be published in order to rank providers and appoint to a Panel.
- The total combined CHO requirements were for approximately [REDACTED] patients per year requiring dental extraction under general anaesthesia.
- It was noted by the PEG that this demand is likely to increase in the coming years.

Highlight any implications that the Board should be made aware of in its consideration such as;

Current status

There are currently non procurement compliant local arrangements in place in CHOs 6, 7 and 9 areas for these dental services which must be hospital-based.

Budget

The budget holders in CHO 6, 7, 8 and 9 confirmed that funding is available for the duration of the contract.

Impact to delivery of services

The contract will allow reduction in waiting lists for these dental services thus improving health outcomes for children.

Corporate Plan

The implementation of contract will deliver an element of the target Spend Under Management (SUM) for Procurement.

Conclusion

The implementation of the contract is essential for the HSE to move into compliance with its obligations under the Procurement Regulations and to allow the CHOs address waiting lists for these specialist dental services necessary to meet its service commitments.

Recommendation

The award of the contract is recommended for approval.