

## Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Board

### Provider Selection Regime Annual Summary Report 2024/25

In accordance with Regulation 25 of the Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023, Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Board is required to produce an annual summary of its contracting activity for the provision of relevant health care services.

Below is a summary in relation to all contracts awarded using the Provider Selection Regime (PSR) that commenced between 1 January 2024 – 31 March 2025.

PSR Route Information	
Number of contracts directly awarded under direct award process A	26
Number of contracts directly awarded under direct award process B	7
Number of contracts directly awarded under direct award process C	69
Number of contracts awarded under the most suitable provider process	0
Number of contracts awarded under the competitive process	4
Number of framework agreements concluded	0
Number of contracts awarded based on a framework agreement/Dynamic Purchasing System	333*
Number of urgent contracts awarded	6
Number of urgent modifications	49
<p>*For All Age Continuing Care (AACC) individual care packages, LSC ICB contract with domiciliary care providers, supported living providers and nursing homes via a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS). At the start of the 2024/2025 contracting year, the ICB contracted with over 300 providers in total (140 nursing home providers and 193 domiciliary/supported living providers).</p> <p>The numbers in the table above do not include primary care local enhanced services.</p> <p>Arrangements for local enhanced services in Lancashire and South Cumbria continued with existing pharmacy providers and general practice providers via Direct Award A.</p>	
Provider Information	
Number of new providers awarded contracts in 2024/2025 (for health care services)	3
Number of providers who ceased to hold any contracts with the ICB in 2024/2025 who held a contract in the previous year (for health care services)	TBC

<b>Representations (challenges relating to PSR decisions) received between 1 January 2024 – 31 March 2025</b>	
<b>Details of representations received;</b>	
The number of representations received in writing and during the standstill period in accordance with Regulation 12(3) of the PSR regulations	1
Summary of the outcome of all representations received and of the nature and impact of those representations.	See below
<b>Details of any reviews by the Independent Patient Choice and Procurement Panel;</b>	
Number of requests for consideration received by the Independent Patient Choice and Procurement Panel.	0
Number of requests accepted and rejected by the Independent Patient Choice and Procurement Panel for consideration.	0
Number of times where the Independent Patient Choice and Procurement Panel advised the ICB to re-run or go back to an earlier step in a provider selection process under the PSR, and the number of times the advice was followed.	0

**Summary of the outcome of all representations received and of the nature and impact of those representations.**

The ICB received a representation on the 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024 in relation to the intention to award a contract for the provision of an Adult ADHD service under Direct Award Process. The representation challenged the ICB on the PSR route that was taken. The ICB reviewed the original decision and determined that as the contract related to a service where patients have a legal right to choose, the ICB must use Direct Award Process B to award a contract. Therefore, the ICB abandoned the original PSR process of Direct Award C and proceeded to award the contract via Direct Award Process B. No further action was taken by the provider that made the representation.