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Annual Summary (SEL ICB)

1st April 2025 – 31st March 2026

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1. Scope and Introduction

The Provider Selection Regime requires each Relevant Authority to publish a summary of their application of the regulations. This paper outlines NHS South East London Integrated Care Board's (SEL ICB's) summary of all contracts awarded using the Provider Selection Regime (PSR) between 1st April 2025 and 31st March 2026. This is the second report of its kind since the inception of the PSR Regulations.

In line with Regulation 25; this report will outline a summary of:

Scope of Regulation 25	
Number of contracts awarded via:	• Direct Award A-C • Most Suitable Provider • Competitive Process
Frameworks	• Number of frameworks concluded • Number of contracts awarded based on a framework agreement
Urgent Awards / Modifications	• Number of urgent contracts awarded and urgent modifications
Number of contracts held by the Relevant Authority	• Number of new providers awarded contracts • Number of providers who ceased to hold any contracts with SEL ICB
Representations	• Details of representations received (number of representations received during the standstill period and a summary of the outcome of all representations received and the nature and impact of those representations • Details of any reviews conducted by the Independent Patient Choice and Procurement Panel including (total requests made to the Panel, the number of requests accepted and rejected as well as the number of times where the Panel advised SEL ICB to re-run or go back to an earlier step in the process and the number of times the advice was followed).

In line with Regulation 26; relevant authorities must monitor their compliance with the PSR regulations. The results of this must be published online annually and must outline their compliance with processes, decisions made under PSR, contract modifications and declaration and management of conflicts of interest.

SEL ICBs compliance report is outlined below. This report is grouped thematically with appraisal with the tenets of PSR Regulation with a summary of identified actions as appropriate.

Contract Awards as per Regulation 25:

Provider Selection Regime Period: 1st April 2025 - 31st March 2026	
Number of contracts awarded under Direct Award A-C processes	16
Number of contracts awarded under the Most Suitable Provider process	5
Number of contracts awarded under the Competitive process	8
Number of frameworks concluded	0
Number of contracts awarded based on a framework agreement	0
Number of urgent modifications made	0
Number of urgent contracts awarded	1
Number of new providers to whom a contract was awarded	2
Number of providers who ceased to hold any contracts with SEL ICB	1
Representations received	5

Summary of Representations

During the period of April 2025-March 2026, NHS SEL ICB received five Representations.

Three cases were resolved locally with a Representation panel set up to review the provider procurement process in line with the PSR regulations. Following these reviews, providers were made award of the final decision to award from the panel, and a five-day standstill period was observed. No further challenges/representations were made or escalated to the NHS England Independent patient choice and procurement panel, so the Representations were closed.

Two cases were referred to the NHS England Independent patient choice and procurement panel following an initial review locally in line with PSR regulations. One case was rejected by the NHS England Independent patient choice and procurement panel and a contract awarded; one further case has recommended to go back to the evaluation stage of the process and re-evaluate one question.

The ICB reflects on lessons learned from its procurement processes and in other sectors where representations have been observed and upheld. The NHS London Commercial Hub supports the ICB in digesting national case material and presenting to the SEL Contract & Procurement Group.

This provides opportunity for shared learning, critical thinking and a place for reflection and inward sharing. It is recognised that there has been a significant increase in representations nationally during 2025/26 and procurement processes are under constant review within SEL ICB to mitigate this risk.

SEL ICB Compliance Summary (Regulation 26)	
Theme	**Overview**
Compliance with PSR processes	SEL ICB has robust governance arrangements, including engagement with the London Commercial Hub to oversee and assure compliance throughout the procurement lifecycle. Implementation of a procurement checklist ensures consistency of understanding and approach. As described in last year's report, the ICB has previously identified a need for improvement in relation to PSR and patient placements. The ICB will be engaging with other ICBs to identify examples of best practice and mitigations in this area.
Decisions made under the PSR	Compliant: SEL ICB has a robust governance process in place that underpins the full procurement life cycle ensuring decisions are made in accordance with PSR and that these are documented.
Contract Modifications	SEL ICB's application of Contract Modifications are compliant with the Provider Selection Regime, with Transparency Notices published where Modifications are above £500k.
Declaration and Management of Conflicts of Interest	Compliant: All Staff are required to complete their declaration of interests online. In addition to a further recording of conflicts at all meetings and stages of procurement.