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ANNOUNCEMENT

GambleAware issues new Invitation to Tender for a residential rehabilitation programme

London, 04 June 2021: GambleAware has issued a new Invitation to Tender for a pilot project to extend the National Gambling Treatment Service provision of residential rehabilitation for gambling disorder. The new service will have a specific focus on complex and co-morbid presentation amongst service users.

Based on the existing treatment landscape we know that that there are gaps in the provision of residential care to address co-occurring health needs, including mental health problems and complexities. These findings were subsequently supported by the Treatment Needs and Gap Analysis, and also GambleAware's Annual Statistics for the National Gambling Treatment Service.

To address these gaps, GambleAware is commissioning a pilot project, with an estimated funding of £1 million over a three-year period, to fill gaps in the provision of treatment and explore potential uptake of services among those currently underrepresented.

GambleAware is seeking bids from qualified organisations to provide residential rehabilitation for adults presenting with gambling disorder and complexities, specifically co-morbid alcohol and/or substance use disorder.

Interested bidders should demonstrate strong competency in the treatment of gambling disorder, as the primary diagnosis, as well as the clinical management of co-occurring health needs, including mental health conditions and substance misuse.

GambleAware will be holding an engagement event on **Friday 18th June** for those wishing to submit a proposal. The event will be an opportunity to ask questions about the brief, and FAQs will be published on the GambleAware website afterwards.

The closing date for submissions is **12pm Friday 16th July**.

For more information on the Invitation to Tender please see the brief here.

If you have any questions about the Invitation to Tender or would like to attend the engagement event, please email <u>commissioning@gambleaware.org</u>.

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About GambleAware

- GambleAware is an independent charity (Charity No. England & Wales 1093910, Scotland SC049433) that champions a public health approach to preventing gambling harms – see <u>https://www.begambleaware.org/</u>
- GambleAware is a commissioner of integrated prevention, education and treatment services on a national scale, with over £40 million of grant funding under active management. In partnership with gambling treatment providers, GambleAware has spent several years methodically building structures for commissioning a coherent system of brief intervention and treatment services, with clearly defined care pathways and established referral routes to and from the NHS – a National Gambling Treatment Service.
- The National Gambling Treatment Service brings together a National Gambling Helpline and a network of locally-based providers across Great Britain that works with partner agencies and people with lived experience to design and deliver a system, which meets the needs of individuals. This system delivers a range of treatment services, including brief intervention, counselling (delivered either face-to-face or online), residential programmes and psychiatristled care.
- GambleAware produces public health campaigns including Bet Regret. A Safer Gambling Board, including representatives from Public Health England, the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, and GambleAware, is responsible for the design and delivery of a campaign based on best practice in public health education. The Bet Regret campaign is being funded through specific, additional donations to the charity, in line with a commitment given to the government by the broadcasting, advertising and gambling industries. See <u>https://about.gambleaware.org/prevention/safer-gambling-campaign/</u>.