**Contract summary**

**Title:** Asylum Seeker Mental Health and Wellbeing 2021-22

**Industry:**

**Location of contract: United Kingdom**

**Value of contract**

£10k - £1million

**Published date**

3 August 2021

**Opening date**

5 August 2021

**Closing date**

01 September 2021 12 Noon

**Contract start date**

01 October 2021

**Contract end date**

31 March 2021

**Description**

The Secretary of State for the Home Department (the "Authority"), acting through the Resettlement, Asylum Support & Integration Directorate, intends to make an amount of up to £1,000,000 of grant funding available to Local Authorities, Strategic Migration Partnerships and sector civil society organisations in the United Kingdom to help improve the mental health and wellbeing of vulnerable adult asylum seekers, before they receive their substantive decision, and as they progress through the asylum journey.

This funding will be granted during 2021-22 financial year and all allocations must be spent by 31 March 2022.

The Funding is to be awarded through a fair, open and transparent competition by means of a Call for Proposals and will be to support bidders’ projects that will put in place short term support for vulnerable adult asylum seekers and identify longer term opportunities for additional mental health and wellbeing support.

The minimum award will be £10,000 and the maximum award will be up to £1 million.

The purpose of the funding is to protect vulnerable people and communities, facilitating access to assistance which understands their specific needs and is best placed to support them. This is aligned to the first aim of the New Plan for Immigration to increase the fairness and efficacy of our system so that we can better protect and support those in need of genuine asylum.

The funding will provide the opportunity to deliver on 3 specific aims which align with the Home Office goals to protect vulnerable people and communities:

• to deliver assistance to support improved trauma-informed and culturally competent understanding of the needs of vulnerable adult asylum seekers;

• to deliver direct assistance for those experiencing distress; and

• to evaluate the current opportunities for delivering assistance to vulnerable adult asylum seekers.

The projects will aim to improve frontline officer awareness and understanding of the mental health and wellbeing needs of adult asylum seekers and support an improved understanding of their needs within mainstream services.

The process leading to the award of the grant will be administered using the Home Office eSourcing portal. To take part in this grant funding opportunity please see this attached Contracts Finder Notice which provides important instructions for registration on the portal. Please read all information in this notice carefully.

If you have any questions or problems regarding registration please email RASIcommercialgrantsteam@homeoffice.gov.uk

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

In December 2016, the Cabinet Office launched its [minimum standards for government grants](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/grants-standards/grant-standards): These include the requirement that competition should be the default option when considering award of grant funding.

To comply, the Home Office has decided to manage its competitions using their Jaggaer eSourcingportal.

* How to register?

The event will be run on the Home Office (HO) Jaggaer eSourcing portal.

In order to bid for funding, bidders will first need to register on the portal via the following link: <https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html>

Bidders should be approved for usage within 24 hours of registering on the system.

After clicking on the eSourcing portal link, it should take you to the home page.  On the left-hand side of this page, just below the login boxes, there is an option to register.

To register as a supplier, you will need to provide information which will include:

* the full legal name of your organisation
* your [DUNS number](http://www.dnb.co.uk/dandb-duns-number) – a unique nine-digit number provided to organisations free of charge by Dun & Bradstreet
* profile information describing your organisation and the size of your business

Once registered as a supplier on the portal please send a notification email to

RASIcommercialgrantsteam@homeoffice.gov.uk to request access to the associated documents for the grant funding.

If you have any difficulties registering on the system, then you should contact the Supplier eSourcing Helpdesk: customersupport@jaggaer.com

The HO Jaggaer eSourcing portal is independent of other eSourcing portals.  Therefore, if you have registered on the Crown Commercial Service Jaggaer eSourcing portal, you will also need to register on the HO Jaggaer eSourcing portal.

Please note that bids will only be accepted via the HO eSourcing portal.  Any bids received outside of this system will not be considered by the Authority.

Please note that registering for access to the eSourcing tool will not make you a Home Office supplier. To be considered for award of funding you must first respond to an opportunity.

Further information about procurement at the Home Office can be found on the [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/home-office/about/procurement) website.

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**Other information**

**How to apply**

Once successfully registered on the system you should request access to the documents for the grant funding on the e-portal, which will include application guidance, by emailing RASIcommercialgrantsteam@homeoffice.gov.uk. Applications for the funding will be submitted via the eSourcing portal.