

National Framework Agreement for the Provision of a Healthcare Output and Content Management System

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List of Eligible Users of the Framework Agreement

The public sector in the United Kingdom (UK) is comprised of many organisations. These include: ministries or departments of central government such as the Cabinet Office, Department of Health (including the National Health Service (NHS)) and Ministry of Justice; local authorities, such as councils and social services; wider public bodies such as fire and rescue services, police authority services, educational authorities, universities and public broadcasting; and utilities agents, such as water authorities. UK public sector procurement bodies must comply with the Public Procurement Regulations, as derived from European Union (EU) treaty principles. These mandate a regulated contract and tender procedure for opportunities above a certain financial threshold, which varies depending on the type of organisation and type of procurement being undertaken.

The National Health Service (NHS) in the UK is representative of over 400 health organisations including Hospital Trusts, Mental Health Trusts, Ambulance Trusts, Foundation Trusts, Clinical Commissioning Groups, Commercial Support Units and Community Health Trusts. The landscape is one of constant evolution and change.

To promote transparency, The Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust wishes to establish a Framework Agreement for use by all UK public sector bodies (and any future successors to these organisations). To provide bidders with information on potential users of the Framework Agreement the following organisations are considered the core client base:

NHS Bodies England

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/AcuteTrustListing.aspx>

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/CCGListing.aspx>

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/MentalHealthTrustListing.aspx>

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/CareTrustListing.aspx>

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/AreaTeamListing.aspx>

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/SpecialHealthAuthorityListing.aspx>

<http://www.nhs.uk/ServiceDirectories/Pages/OtherListing.aspx>

The following bodies may also use the Framework Agreement.

Scottish NHS Bodies

<http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Health/NHS-Workforce/NHS-Boards>

<http://www.show.scot.nhs.uk/organisations/>

NHS Wales

<http://www.wales.nhs.uk/ourservices/directory>

Health and Social care in Northern Ireland

<http://www.hscni.net/>

NHS bodies in the Isle of Man

NHS bodies in the Channel Isles

Central Government Departments, Local Government and Public Corporations that can be accessed at the Public Sector Classification Guide:

<https://www.ons.gov.uk/economy/nationalaccounts/uksectoraccounts/datasets/publicsectorclassificationguide>

Please note Central Government departments may be subject to Government Digital Service approval before using the Framework Agreement.

Local Authorities (England and Wales)

<http://www.local.gov.uk/digital-councils/connect/a-z-councils-online>
www.ubico.co.uk

Non-Departmental Public Bodies (NDPDs)

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations>

National Parks Authorities

<http://www.nationalparks.gov.uk/>

Educational Establishments in England and Wales, maintained by the Department for Children, Schools and Families including Schools, Universities and Colleges but not Independent Schools

<http://www.education.gov.uk/edubase/home.xhtml>

Police Forces in the United Kingdom

<https://www.police.uk/contact/force-websites/>

Police Forces and Special Police Forces in the United Kingdom, and/or Police and Crime Commissioners (as defined by the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011) and/or the Police Authorities (as defined in the Police Act 1964, Police Act 1996, Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005, Police and Justice Act 2006, Police, Public Order and Criminal Justice (Scotland) Act 2006), and other relevant legislation for the constituent parts of the United Kingdom, for their respective rights and interests

Fire and Rescue Services in the United Kingdom

<http://www.fireservice.co.uk/information/ukfrs>

<http://www.nifrs.org/areas-districts/>

<http://www.firescotland.gov.uk/your-area.aspx>

Hospices in the UK

<https://www.hospiceuk.org/about-hospice-care/find-a-hospice?qclid=CPLU3cD7zdECFdaRGwodNeoDyw>

Registered Social Landlords (Housing Associations)

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/current-registered-providers-of-social-housing>

Third Sector and Charities in the United Kingdom

<http://www.charitycommission.gov.uk/find-charities/>

<http://www.oscr.org.uk/search-charity-register/>

<http://www.charitycommissionni.org.uk/charity-search/>

Citizens Advice in the United Kingdom

<http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/index/getadvice.htm>

www.cas.org.uk

<http://www.citizensadvice.co.uk/>

Scottish Public Bodies

The framework agreement will be available for use by any Scottish Public Sector Body: the Authority; Scottish Non-Departmental Public Bodies; offices in the Scottish Administration which are not ministerial offices; cross-border public authorities within the meaning of section 88(5) of the Scotland Act 1998; the Scotland Office; the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body; councils constituted under section 2 of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 (except where they are acting in their capacity as educational authority); Scottish joint fire boards or joint fire and rescue boards; Scottish joint police boards or any successor National Police or Fire Authority; Scottish National Park authorities, bodies registered as social landlords under the Housing (Scotland) Act

2001, Scottish health boards or special health boards, Student Loans Company Limited, Northern Lighthouse Board, further or higher education institutions being fundable bodies within the meaning of section 6 of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 2005 any public body established by or under the Scotland Act 1998 or any Act of the Scottish Parliament, any association of or formed by one or more of the foregoing, bodies financed wholly or mainly by one or more of the foregoing, bodies subject to management supervision by one or more of the foregoing and bodies more than half of the board of directors or members of which, or, in the case of a group of individuals, more than half of those individuals, being appointed by one or more of the foregoing.

Scottish Government

<http://www.gov.scot>

Scottish Parliament

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/abouttheparliament/27110.aspx>

Scottish Local Authorities

<http://www.gov.scot/About/Government/councils>

<http://www.scotland-excel.org.uk/home/Aboutus/Ourmembers/Associate-members.aspx>

Scottish Agencies, NDPBs

<http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Government/public-bodies/about/Bodies>

Scottish Further and Higher Education Bodies

<http://www.universities-scotland.ac.uk/index.php?page=members>

<http://www.collegesscotland.ac.uk/member-colleges.html>

http://www.sfc.ac.uk/aboutus/council_funded_institutions/WhoWeFundColleges.aspx

Scottish Police

<http://www.scotland.police.uk/your-community/>

Scottish Housing Associations

http://www.sfha.co.uk/component/option,com_membersdir/Itemid,149/view,membersdir/

The Scotland Office

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/scotland-office>

Registered Social Landlords (Housing Associations) - Scotland

<http://directory.scottishhousingregulator.gov.uk/pages/default.aspx>

Scottish Primary Schools

<http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/parentzone/myschool/findaschool/index.asp>

Scottish Secondary Schools

<http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/parentzone/myschool/findaschool/index.asp>

Scottish Special Schools

<http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/parentzone/myschool/findaschool/index.asp>

Welsh Public Bodies

National Assembly for Wales, Welsh Assembly Government and Welsh Local Authorities, and all bodies covered by:

<http://www.assembly.wales/en/Pages/Home.aspx>

<http://gov.wales>

Housing Associations – Registered Social Landlords Wales

<http://gov.wales/topics/housing-and-regeneration/publications/registered-social-landlords-in-wales/?lang=en>

Universities in Wales

<http://www.uniswales.ac.uk/universities/>

Colleges in Wales

<http://www.collegeswales.ac.uk/Find-a-College>

Schools in Wales (nursery, primary, middle, secondary, special, independent schools and pupil referral units)

<http://gov.wales/statistics-and-research/address-list-of-schools/?lang=en>

Northern Ireland Public Bodies

Northern Ireland Government Departments

<http://www.northernireland.gov.uk/gov.htm>

Northern Ireland Public Sector Bodies and Local Authorities

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/contacts/contacts-az/general-register-office-northern-ireland>

Schools in Northern Ireland

<http://apps.education-ni.gov.uk/appinstitutes/instmain.aspx>

Universities in Northern Ireland

<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/universities-and-colleges-northern-ireland>

Northern Ireland Housing Associations

http://www.nihe.gov.uk/index/about/contact_us_home/your_nearest_office.htm

Police Service of Northern Ireland

<http://www.psni.police.uk/index.htm>

Any corporation established, or a group of individuals appointed to act together, for the specific purpose of meeting needs in the general interest, not having an industrial or commercial character, and (i) financed wholly or mainly by another contracting authority listed above in this section of this ITT;

(ii) subject to management supervision by another contracting authority listed above in this section of this ITT; or

(iii) more than half of the board of directors or members of which, or, in the case of a group of individuals, more than half of those individuals, are appointed by another contracting authority listed above in this section of this ITT

(iv) an association of or formed by one or more of the Contracting Authorities listed above in this section of this ITT

Entities which are not public sector bodies may also use the Framework Agreements if the Authority is satisfied that:

- such entity is calling-off goods and/or services directly, solely and exclusively in order to satisfy contractual obligations to one or more public sector bodies, all of which are entitled to use the Framework Agreements on their own account;
- all goods to be called-off by it are to be used directly, solely and exclusively to provide goods and/or services at sites occupied by such public sector body(ies); and
- it will pass the benefit of the call-off contract to such public sector body(ies) directly, in full and on a purely “pass-through” basis. Accordingly there must be no mark-up, management fee, service charge or any similar cost solely in relation to the supply of goods and/or services imposed on the relevant public sector body(ies), who must be able to benefit from the terms of the Framework

Agreements in a like manner and to the same extent as if using the Framework Agreements on its/their own account.

Any 'bodies governed by public law' which under the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 means bodies that have all of the following characteristics

(a) they are established for the specific purpose of meeting needs in the general interest, not having an industrial or commercial character;

(b) they have legal personality; and

(c) they have any of the following characteristics:—

- (i) they are financed, for the most part, by the State, regional or local authorities, or by other bodies governed by public law;
- (ii) they are subject to management supervision by those authorities or bodies; or
- (iii) they have an administrative, managerial or supervisory board, more than half of whose members are appointed by the State, regional or local authorities, or by other bodies governed by public law.