

## **Invitation to Quote- How to Measure the Real Value of Adult Social Care- Refresh of the Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework**

### **Background**

The [Adult Social Care Outcomes Framework](#) (ASCOF) is increasingly experienced by Directors of Adult Social Services as an outdated performance framework of adult social care, rather than an outcomes framework, whose metrics measure, to a certain degree at least, outmoded methods of adult social care delivery.

The current ASCOF does not effectively measure several areas of high importance to contemporary ASC system leadership, use of resources, or professional focus and practice.

ADASS has been in discussions with the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) and Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) to secure funding support to undertake a project which can recommend the key components and indicators of a refreshed ASCOF.

ADASS wants to complete its work on ASCOF in good time before its Spring Seminar in April 2020 so that it is able to influence any proposals about ASCOF that the new Government introduces. This work is complementary to our other work on resources and quality.

### **Specifics/ Details**

We are looking for a partner organisation to deliver the following prestige project. The project outcome is to propose a new framework of performance indicators (PIs) for adult social care that Directors and the Department of Health and Social Care agree that:

- Better measure what people value about ASC and its impact on their lives in terms of independence and wellbeing - this includes which existing ASCOF PIs should be retained, which should be changed and which should be added. This will include proposals for outcome measures that should be developed to measure what will be important in 5 to 10 years' time.
- Measure the impact of the local authority ASC function in meeting those policy objectives of the Care Act currently omitted from ASCOF – e.g., the effectiveness of commissioning in driving a high quality, sustainable care market, and how well a local authority prevents the need for ASC, the escalation of people's needs (demand management) and wellbeing.
- Include an improved, more "balanced", set of health and ASC interface indicators which also measure what happens to people before/when/after they leave hospital in addition to the DTOC targets– e.g. destinational outcomes, hospital admission avoidance - to sit alongside work being undertaken in relation to the review of the BCF.
- Measure the efficiency and effectiveness of the use of resources by a local authority ASC function.

This will involve the delivery of the following:

- A. a short survey to all Directors asking for their views on the current and future use of ASCOF.

- B. a short questionnaire distributed to all attendees of the 2019 NCASC conference asking for views on ASCOF.
- C. a facilitated day long regional workshop in each of the nine ADASS regions
- D. a facilitated day workshop with leading user/carer organisations
- E. a facilitated day long workshop with the chairs of the ADASS policy networks
- F. a day long workshop with the LGA, MHCLG, DHSC and key NHS partners
- G. a day long workshop with leading academics and thinktanks
- H. two facilitated and extraordinary meetings of the ADASS Standards, Performance and Informatics, the Resources and Commissioning leads
- I. the preparation of a report to be submitted to the ADASS Executive and Trustees.

The intellectual property rights will be the property of ADASS and any data or intelligence gained prior to any publication is confidential. We will of course acknowledge the partnership with the organisation undertaking the project and research in published reports and any associated activity.

**Expression of interest should include:**

- Your experience in delivering similar projects ADASS, DHSC or others.
- What your organisation can bring to this partnership project.
- Any other professional experience you consider may be relevant in considering your suitability for this work. This might include examples of sessions you have delivered or materials you have produced for such events in the past or more recently.
- An indication of your daily rate for the provision of these services.
- The expected number of consultancy days is 56, given the prestige nature of this project we would envisage some work in gratis.

**The deadline for expressions of interest to be submitted is the close of play on 17<sup>th</sup> October.**

**Selection:**

- After the deadline has passed a shortlisting process will take place and a small number of consultancies will be invited in for a discussion with a member of the ADASS Central Team and the Standards, Performance and Informatics Policy Leads.

If you have any questions regarding this invitation to quote, or are submitting an expression of interest please email [michael.chard1@adass.org.uk](mailto:michael.chard1@adass.org.uk)

***\* The commencement of this project is subject to grant funding being transferred from the Department of Health and Social Care to ADASS.***