

## Procurement of Civil Legal Aid Services in England and Wales from 1 September 2024

## Amendment Notice with effect from 2 October 2023

On 13 September 2023 the LAA published an Invitation to Tender for Civil Legal Aid services in England and Wales from 1 September 2024 on its eTendering system.

In accordance with paragraph 6.19 of the SQ ITT, Applicants are notified that the LAA has amended:

- 1. the Claims Against Public Authorities Category-Specific Information V1 to reflect a change to section "1. Procurement Areas";
- 2. the Clinical Negligence Category-Specific Information V1 to reflect a change to section "1. Procurement Areas";
- 3. the Public Law Category-Specific Information V2 to reflect a change to section "1. Procurement Areas";
- 4. the Mental Health Category-Specific Information V1 to reflect two changes to section "1. Procurement Areas";
- 5. the Community Care Category-Specific Information V1 to reflect an amendment to section "4. Verification Requirements";
- 6. the link to the Claims Against Public Authorities Category-Specific Information in the Award ITT V2;
- 7. the link to the Clinical Negligence Category-Specific Information in the Award ITT V2;
- 8. the link to the Public Law Category-Specific Information in the Award ITT V2;
- 9. the link to the Mental Health Category-Specific Information in the Award ITT V2;
- 10. the link to the Community Care Category-Specific Information in the Award ITT V2; and
- 11. the link to the Award ITT V2 in the HLPAS ITT.

The change to the Claims Against Public Authorities Category-Specific Information V1 is as follows:

Walsall Council has been added to the list of Local Authorities included in the Midlands and East of England Procurement Area.

The Claims Against Public Authorities Category-Specific Information document including the amendment is now Claims Against Public Authorities Category-Specific Information V2.

The change to the Clinical Negligence Category-Specific Information V1 is as follows:

Walsall Council has been added to the list of Local Authorities included in the Midlands and East of England Procurement Area.

The Clinical Negligence Category-Specific Information document including the amendment is now Clinical Negligence Category-Specific Information V2.

The change to the Public Law Category-Specific Information V2 is as follows:

Walsall Council has been added to the list of Local Authorities included in the Midlands and East of England Procurement Area.

The Public Law Category-Specific Information document including the amendment is now Public Law Category-Specific Information V3.

The changes to the Mental Health Category-Specific Information V1 are as follows:

Westmorland and Furness Council has been added to the list of Local Authorities included in the North Procurement Area.

In the table, Wales has been added to the Procurement Area column, clarifying the Local Authorities included in the Wales Procurement Area.

The Mental Health Category-Specific Information document including the amendments is now Mental Health Category-Specific Information V2.

The change to the Community Care Category-Specific Information V1 is as follows:

Removal of the table in section 4 of V1 and replacement with a new table at section 4 stating the verification requirements for all Applicants who are successful in tendering to deliver Community Care Contract Work.

The Community Care Category-Specific Information document including the amendment is now Community Care Category-Specific Information V2.

The changes to the Award ITT V2 are as follows:

Hyperlinks to the Claims Against Public Authorities; Clinical Negligence; Mental Health and Community Care Category-Specific Information V1 documents and Public Law Category-Specific Information V2 document have been removed from paragraph 2.31.

Hyperlinks to the Claims Against Public Authorities; Clinical Negligence; Mental Health and Community Care Category-Specific Information V2 documents and Public Law Category-Specific Information V3 document have been added in paragraph 2.31.

The Award ITT including the amendments is now Award ITT V3.

The changes to HLPAS ITT V2 are as follows:

Hyperlinks to the Award ITT V2 have been removed.

Hyperlinks to the Award ITT V3 have been added.

The HLPAS ITT including the amendments is now HLPAS ITT V3.

## **Requirements upon Applicants**

The Claims Against Public Authorities Category-Specific Information V2 incorporates all the amendments of this notice in blue. Applicants are required to refer to V2, which is available on the Gov.uk website and it can also be accessed via the link to the Claims Against Public Authorities Category-Specific Information at paragraph 2.31 in the Award ITT V3.

The Clinical Negligence Category-Specific Information V2 incorporates all the amendments of this notice in blue. Applicants are required to refer to V2, which is available on the Gov.uk website and it can also be accessed via the link to the Clinical Negligence Category-Specific Information at paragraph 2.31 in the Award ITT V3.

The Public Law Category-Specific Information V3 incorporates all the amendments of this notice in blue. Applicants are required to refer to V3, which is available on the Gov.uk website and it can also be accessed via the link to the Public Law Category-Specific Information at paragraph 2.31 in the Award ITT V3.

The Mental Health Category-Specific Information V2 incorporates all the amendments of this notice in blue. Applicants are required to refer to V2, which is available on the Gov.uk website and it can also be accessed via the link to the Mental Health Category-Specific Information at paragraph 2.31 in the Award ITT V3.

The Community Care Category-Specific Information V2 incorporates all the amendments of this notice in blue. Applicants are required to refer to V2, which is available on the Gov.uk website and it can also be accessed via the link to the Community Care Category-Specific Information at paragraph 2.31 in the Award ITT V3.

Applicants are required to refer to the revised versions of the Award ITT, the HLPAS ITT and the Category-Specific Information documents as set out above when preparing their Tenders.