



Expert

Training and accreditation programme

About the programme

Expert training will help public sector contract managers to secure better value for money and service efficiency from external contracts. It is a technical programme for:

- contract managers working in central government or the wider public sector
- anyone managing contracts with high value and levels of risk - gold contracts as per the tiering tool
- at least 6 to 12 months experience in a role overseeing the management of contracts

The 'need to know' details

Expert is a transferable accreditation across the public sector.

There is an exclusive focus on UK public sector contracts.

Accreditation is gained through an ePortfolio assessment that evidences how knowledge and skills have been demonstrated back in the workplace and an assessed one-to-one discussion.

It is a total of 12 weeks duration per practitioner and expert intake; eight weeks training and ePortfolio submission, 4 weeks for assessment and moderation. Those undertaking practitioner and expert training and assessment will do so over 2 intakes.

The wider benefits

The headlines from 2025...

92%

completing the course have made contract savings

£182m

typical cost savings per annum have been reported

75%

learners now feel more skilled in managing risk

79%

learners have brought about contract efficiencies

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■ The modules

Operational modules

Module 1 - Commercial awareness

Module 2 - Contract mobilisation

Module 3 - Contract risk and change

Module 4 - Managing contract delivery

Module 5 - Stakeholder Relationships

Module 6 - Contract exit & transition

(as per Practitioner programme)

Further strategic modules

Expert Module 1 - Leading good practice through the contract management lifecycle

Expert Module 2 - Strategic contract management

Expert Module 3 - Leading on contract change, risk, and relationships



Cost

£7,700 (practitioner and expert training and assessment)

£3,700 (expert training and assessment)

£2,600 (expert assessment only)



Enrolment

Via contract lead and the Contract Management Pathfinder tool - foundation is a prerequisite



Duration

Each module is 7 hours in duration



Practicalities

Online blended learning, 3 intakes per year, assessment via ePortfolio evidence and 90-minute live assessment

