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Non-Competed Grant Request Form

Request Title:		NHS England – NHS 111 Open Source Critical Care Grant Aid
Date of request:		19/02/2015
Contact Details of Requester:	Name	[REDACTED] NHS 111 Futures Commercial Manager
	Email	[REDACTED]
	Department	Patients & Information, Strategic Systems & Technology
Brief description of Grant:		<p>This Business Case seeks approval to Grant award to not for profit organisations to drive the development and delivery of the NHS 111 Strategy.</p> <p>Specific outputs relate to deliver;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seed funding to the NHS Open Source Software Foundation: The money will be granted to the NHS Open Source foundation, which is being established as a clinically led Community Interest Company, who will administer the funds. As an Associate Member, NHS England will remain closely connected to the process and assure progress and good use of funds. Specifically the funds will be used to assist in the development of the Code4Health platform (a technology-enabled virtual environment where open source code and tools can be used to develop, test and assure innovative solutions to aid integration and interoperability for digital care services), which will engage clinicians, managers and other staff in looking for ways to generate innovation to improve care, efficiency and outcomes. The Code4Health platform will enable NHS 111 to stimulate innovation from the entrepreneur and SME market to address specific challenges and opportunities around the urgent care and 111 settings. - Support and facilitate conversion of proprietary urgent and critical care solutions to open source solutions: This would be done by engaging with existing proprietary system suppliers to understand and support mitigation of the risks around conversion by outlining the longer term benefits and producing plans to facilitate conversion to open source. - Stimulating innovation for urgent and critical care systems: This will be done through engaging clinicians, managers and other staff in

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		<p>looking for ways to generate innovation to improve care, efficiency and outcomes. The engagement approach would be multichannel and will include interactions through workshops, events, focus groups and social media.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Run direct challenges supporting innovation around urgent and critical care: There will be a significant amount of the money provided as prizes / awards (this will be specified within the Grant Agreement) relating to specific challenges to be created around the 111 and Urgent Care space. The Open Source Software Foundation along with the NHS 111 Futures team would decide on specific detail of challenges and track progress. - Supporting other Not for Profit organisations including NHS organisations in their development of open source solutions. - An indication of the budget breakdown provided as follows;
<p>Reasons for the NCG request, rather than competing the requirement:</p>		<p>NHS England will be supporting NHS Trusts to establish CICs in line with Gov.UK guidelines (https://www.gov.uk/set-up-a-social-enterprise) where Community Interest Statements and Asset Locks are approved by the CIC regulator.</p> <p>NHS England is a commissioning board and therefore is commissioning these not for profit organisations to provide custodianship and delivery of services to the NHS 111 programme and addresses the imminent demands from front line NHS staff that are required to determine their technology requirements and interactions with the market place and suppliers. The Open Source Software Foundation is being established as a Community Interest Company (CIC) to deliver the outputs by becoming the custodian of the Open Source movement in Health and Care.</p> <p>The NCG request is therefore on the grounds that the receiving bodies are bespoke not for profit Community Interest Companies established by NHS organisations (Trusts) to support the introduction of Open Source solutions within their community.</p>
Procurement Contact Details:	Name	[REDACTED]
	Email	[REDACTED]
Total Grant value: £ (ex VAT)		Awards to be made up to a total Grant value of £200,000.00
Have you previously submitted an NCG request related to this?		No
Contract Dates of this NCG request	Start Date	19/02/2015
	End Date	31/03/2015

What do you propose to do after the end of the contract term?	The 111 Programme will review the progress and delivery associated with this Grant with a view to considering further grant awards to continue delivery
Whose terms & conditions of contract will be used?	NHS England Grant Agreement Template
Proposed supplier(s):	NHS Open Source Foundation

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Comments:

Name:

Date:
