

## About TfC

Tendering for Care (TfC) was established in 2005 as a resource designed to help providers in the care sector to understand the new world of tendering which has been introduced for almost all contracts paid for from public funds. The service builds on our experience:

1990 to 1998 – of providing a similar service for Further and Higher education

1998 to 2005 – of preparing bids and tenders for voluntary sector organisations, together with experience of appraising bids and tenders.

Initially TfC was developed for providers for learning disabilities, but, in response to demand, has expanded to cover all aspects of care and Voluntary Sector organisations generally. Tendering and procurement covers all purchasing by publicly funded bodies such as Local Authorities, Boroughs, County, Metropolitan and District Councils, Supporting People, PCTs, Government Departments, etc.

The following are examples of our rapidly growing Membership, but are by no means exhaustive:

- providers of services of all kinds, children, learning and physical disability, mental health, homelessness, physical, drug and alcohol abuse, the elderly, residential, nursing and extra care;
- respite care and short breaks;
- domiciliary care and floating support;
- health providers contracting with PCTs and the NHS such as GP services;
- providers of training, learning and vocational skills of all kinds;
- social firms and enterprises;
- sheltered employment services;
- CVS and CAB staff who are advising smaller organisations about tendering;
- drug and alcohol abuse;
- homelessness;
- single and teenage parents;
- services for children and childcare;
- adoption and fostering services;
- auxiliary health services such as occupational, physiotherapy, etc..

## We provide:

- information regarding calls to tender;
- help and support with the preparation of tenders;
- open and in-house workshops, briefings and other training as well as contributions to conferences and similar events;
- essential news and resources for those preparing tenders.

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