

Tender For Network Analysis Study

Background

The National Advisory Committee on Drugs (NACD) was established in July 2000 to advise the Government in relation to prevalence, prevention, treatment/rehabilitation and consequences of problem drug use in Ireland based on analysis of research findings and information available to it. The Committee is overseeing a three-year work programme on the extent, nature, causes and effects of drug use in Ireland. The Committee comprises representatives nominated from relevant agencies and sectors both statutory and non-statutory. The Committee operates under the aegis of the Department of Tourism, Sport and Recreation and reports to the Minister of State with special responsibility for the National Drug Strategy. Further information can be obtained from the Department's website <http://www.arts-sport-tourism.gov.ie/>

The following criteria should be used in developing the study:

- A well structured sampling procedure is essential;
- Stratify the sample members (gender, age group, ethnicity);
- Establish relevant benchmarks
- Field work team need to have knowledge or familiarity with the environment of opiate users and ideally include ex or current user(s);
- Interviews with sample members should cover the key issues outlined above
- Control for overlap, error and bias in reporting should be highlighted

The Committee expects that an interim report will be presented after 06 months, followed by an update report after 12 and a final report of findings after 18 months from the commencement study. Contributions to a variety of reports will be expected together with the publication of articles in relevant professional journals based on outputs and expected / unexpected outcomes at various stages of the study.

Whilst it is not essential nor a requirement of the tender, collaboration is encouraged where it is likely to produce optimal use of expertise and resources in managing the Network Analysis Study. Applicants may be asked to present their proposals to the Sub-Committee on Prevalence who are overseeing the project.


Tender requirements

Tenders submitted should include a detailed proposal of the following:

- A timetable for work from project initiation to completion including project milestones and production of the final report;
- Research model and implementation;
- Number of days and costs per day or part thereof;
- Technical and administrative costs to be defined;
- Name of person(s) who will undertake the work;
- Skills and experience of person(s) undertaking the work.

Closing Date: Friday 19th October 2001 no later than 5pm.

You will be required to sign an FOI declaration (see link below) and you must include an up to date tax clearance certificate with your submission. Tax Clearance Certificate Procedures, as they apply to all public service contracts, shall apply to this work. Withholding tax @ 20% will be deducted on final payment of the contract.

 [link to Disclosure of Information under the Freedom of Information Act 1997 form](#)

If you have any enquiries please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Tenders should be posted to:

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Note: Tender Returns should be marked:

Ref: Ten/NAS.

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For further tender details and information please contact:

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