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News Alert From The Hub!

The following providers on the Hub's framework are authorised to carry out audits:

- BDO
- Deloitte
- Grant Thornton
- KPMG
- Mazars
- Moore Stephens
- Pricewaterhouse Cooper



Local Audit and Accountability Act Implications for NHS Trusts and Local Authorities – ICEAW Announces Names of Authorised Firms

In April 2016, the East of England NHS Collaborative Procurement Hub issued its first bulletin (attached for information) on the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 (LAAA) requirement for publically funded organisations (NHS Trusts, Clinical Commissioning Groups and Local Authorities) to make alternative arrangements for external audit services from April 2017.

Since then, we can confirm that the Institute of Chartered Accountants England and Wales (ICAEW) in its role as a Recognised Supervisory Body (RSB), has currently authorised eight auditing firms with a combined total of 82 individual auditors achieving compliance. Registration with one of the RSB's to deliver services under the LAAA is an ongoing process, enabling capacity within the provider market place for both currently approved and existing authorised providers and for other suitably qualified providers in the market place to achieve compliance against the Act.

The Hub's tried and tested Audit and Consultancy Audit Framework delivers a wide range of complaint audit services including statutory/external audit services. It has five Lots, namely:

- Lot 1 – External Audit
- Lot 2 – Internal Audit
- Lot 3 – Counter Fraud
- Lot 4 – Internal Audit & Counter Fraud
- Lot 5 – Business / Consultancy Audit Services

All auditors approved to the framework have the necessary professional registration and expertise required to carry out audit work for publically funded bodies.

All Lots are subject to current and future legislative and professional obligations of auditors', which may change during the life of the contract, so the services always remain relevant and appropriate.

The Hub framework offers properly customised NHS terms and conditions ensuring that Letters of Engagements aren't just mentioned but are clearly referenced at the front end of the framework contract. The call-off order contract template and the call-off order terms and conditions, with appropriate precedence given to Letters of Engagement, ensure our framework services are compliant with NAO and other regulatory requirements.

For further information on our fourteen market leading framework providers, or to request a copy of the framework information flyer, [visit our website](#) or contact Sandra Atik on 07983 339079/ sandra.atik@eocph.nhs.uk or email PHC@eocph.nhs.uk

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