**Partner Opportunities with Lincoln College**

Lincoln College is always interested in working with good quality service providers. Our most recnt contract opportunities are listed below. Please contact Head of Training and Skills Commercial and Community within the Employer Provision department for further details or vist the SFA Bravo solutions website.

**ESF IP1.1 Greater Lincolnshire SSU**

**Moving Back Into Employment: Skills Support to the Unemployed ITT 30162**

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| **Question** | **Response** | **Relevant Section of ITT 30162** |
| When is the Call deadline? | 5pm on Tuesday, 16th August | SFA Bravo Solutions |
| Which geographical locations can the activity take place in? | Within the GLLEP area (transitional) | P11 |
| Are there any priority sectors? If so, what are they? | Areas of economic strength and growth in Greater Lincolnshire are the food industry, agriculture, manufacturing (particularly engineering), the low carbon sector (including off-shore wind), ports, logistics, the visitor economy and health and care. Other important sectors and skills include construction, IT/digital, HR and accountancy.  Employers also report a gap in ‘employability’ skills including: written skills; teamworking; customer handling; oral communication skills; problem solving; basic computer literacy and advanced IT skills. | P4 |
| Is the call for capital, revenue or both? | Revenue |  |
| Is there a minimum and/or maximum value that the application needs to be? | £2,260,000 for 1332 interventions with 98.7% progression into:   * employment (445) * education (370) * apprenticeship (500) | P11 |
| Do projects have to be completed by a certain time? | September 2016 – March 2018 | P11 |
| What are the main types of activities that will be considered for funding? | The aim of the service is to provide bespoke support and training for the unemployed and those economically inactive and seeking to return to the labour market but facing skills related barriers. Service includes:   * diagnostic assessment and ILP * IAG * Individual mentor/key worker support for each participant up to 3rd month of employment * Advice on job search, CV writing, interview skills * Assistance with registering, searching and applications for apprenticeships * Develop innovative approaches to pre-employment training, including group working, coaching and mentoring, confidence building etc * Support with travel and childcare costs, PPE equipment and training license costs (eg CSCS Card) * Regular progress reviews and exit interviews * Mentoring support for employers to support new employees   The target audience for services include: JSA and ESA claimants; mild/moderate mental health condition (inc drug/alcohol addiction); victims of domestic abuse; long-term benefits claimants; lone parents; caring responsibilities; ex service personnel; ex offenders; over 50s; young unemployed 18-24 and returners to the labour market. | P8 |
| Are there any organisations that activities must complement/align/not duplicate? | All activities must complement and not duplicate with other provision, eg:   * DWP/Big Lottery * EFA * SFA * Local Authority * National Careers Service * New Careers Enterprise Company funded provision   A number of programmes will refer into the service, including other ESF projects and Talent Match. |  |
| Eligibility | * 18 years or over * Unemployed, any length of unemployment * Inactive   Services must also take into account and support the following target groups:   * Unemployed (70%) * Inactive (25%) * Over 50s (20%) * Ethnic minorities (9%) * Female (46%) * Disabilities/health problems (25%) * Lone parents (14%) * No basic skills (21%) | P10 |