**University of Oxford Department of Psychiatry**

**Invitation to Tender for Public Engagement Educational Consultant**

**Indicative budget for Quotation in range 55k to 70k (+VAT)**

We are seeking an experienced educational consultant(s) to help shape and manage a high profile programme of public engagement work with schools funded by the Wellcome Trust. This programme of public engagement activities is embedded within an ongoing research project led by Professor Willem Kuyken, investigating whether mindfulness training in adolescence has the potential to shift the secondary school-age population towards improved mental health (the MYRIAD project). Central to the work is a large scale randomised controlled trial of mindfulness training in adolescence, currently underway in 76 UK secondary schools, and these schools will form the main focus for the public engagement work. We aim to deliver a range of high quality, high impact activities to enthuse and inspire the young people and schools participating in the research programme, allowing us to integrate their perspectives into ongoing research planning and to increase their access to hands on experiences of the psychological science of mental health and resilience. This may include broader projects that reach young people outside the research schools.

The appointed consultant(s) would have a leading role in planning, piloting, refining and managing the public engagement programme in collaboration with the research team, as well as in developing links with external organisations that are able to add value to the work. The activities themselves will be delivered by members of the research team as part of their ongoing public engagement experience. We are seeking individuals or organisations with a track record of delivering high quality public engagement activities with young people on time and on budget, as well as experience working in collaboration with researchers in higher education institutions and with independent evaluators contracted to build in robust evaluation of impact into all activities. Full details of the proposed programme of work are available in the tender application pack.

A tender application pack including (a) the Invitation to Tender, (b) specification, (c) letter of acknowledgment template, (d) supplier questionnaire, (e) copy of standard terms of University Consultancy Agreement, can be obtained by emailing [Katie.fletcher@psych.ox.ac.uk](mailto:Katie.fletcher@psych.ox.ac.uk) or [Catherine.crane@psych.ox.ac.uk](mailto:Catherine.crane@psych.ox.ac.uk) Individuals wishing to tender are welcome to contact the research team to ask questions in advance of submitting their bid up until **12.00 midday, 12th January 2018.**

**Deadline for notification of Intention to Tender: 12.00 midday, 24th January 2018**