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1. Introduction: Grant funding to NatSIP from the DfE for April 2016 – March 2017

For the period April 2016 – March 2017, NatSIP is in receipt of contract funding from the DfE under reference CSEC SEND 16-17 05. This funding is governed by the terms of a contract ('the Contract') signed on 23 May 2016.

2. About this document

This document sets out a rolling activity plan and reports against contract targets and KPIs.

3. About NatSIP

The purpose of The National Sensory Impairment Partnership (NatSIP) is to improve outcomes for children and young people with sensory impairments, closing gaps with their peers, through joint working in services for these children.

NatSIP is a unique national partnership representing the views and expertise of professionals, voluntary organisations, schools and colleges working in the field of SI. More than 70 support services, schools, colleges, the major VCS and professional bodies, are affiliated to NatSIP. Through this, and the administration of the HoSS (Heads of Sensory Support Services) email forum, we are directly connected with support to front line services nationally.

With NatSIP's growing national reputation we are becoming the first port of call for many professionals working in the SI sector and this ensures that we can support at all levels those who need advice.

NatSIP also has bilateral relationships with other key professional and user groups and, through its VCS partners, can ensure input from the voices of users, parents and young people. This gives DfE an opportunity to reach the Sensory Impairment (SI) sector in the SEND category, through the contract for 2016-17.

3.1 The purpose of the work covered by the contract

This contract is to provide delivery support to early years providers, schools and post-16 providers to improve outcomes for children and young people with sensory impairment. The contractor will do this by:

1. equipping the school workforce to deliver high quality teaching and SEN support for pupils with sensory I impairments, through:
 - innovating and using the creative energy of the sector to find new and rewarding ways of working that stimulate both the professionals who serve this group and the children and young people themselves.
 - sharing innovative approaches by using models of school-to-school support and system leadership to help school leaders, SENCOs and teaching staff to achieve the best possible outcomes for children and young people with sensory impairment.
 - building on the evidence-based good practice that already exists by establishing an evidence base of "what works" for teaching children and young people with sensory impairment.
 - working with sensory impairment organisations to provide a range of support for early years, schools and post-16 providers, and acting as a gateway for providers to access these organisations if they have a specific training need.

2. Promoting good practice on supporting children and young people with sensory impairments, through:
 - enhancing teachers' knowledge, understanding and skills in supporting children and young people with sensory impairment.
 - developing a short CPD module, for each of visual impairment and hearing impairment, which providers could use to equip teachers with the skills required to teach children and young people with sensory impairment.
 - planning future requirements for sensory impairment expertise in the workforce and in academia; this should include successor planning of Heads of Sensory Services and lecturers.
 - raising awareness in the sector of which training materials are available and how they can access them.
3. Improving the quality of EHC plans for children and young people with sensory impairment, through:
 - building on the existing resource base and developing further tools and practical guidance on writing advice and information plans for children and young people with sensory impairment.
 - providing best practice examples of advice and information from specialist teachers submitted as part of EHC needs assessment. This will take the form of three for hearing impairment, three for visual impairment and three for multi-sensory impairment. The three examples will consist of one for early years, one for 5-16 pupils and one for post-16 students.
 - producing a checklist that practitioners can follow when writing EHC plans, setting out the principles of excellent EHC plans for children and young people with sensory impairment, including guidance on how education, health and care professionals should work together.
4. Promoting the use of technology to improve the accessibility of education and outcomes for children and young people with sensory impairment, through:
 - thinking creatively about how the latest technology can be used to help children and young people with sensory impairment.
 - evaluating the effectiveness of the latest technologies for children and young people with sensory impairment in supporting teaching and learning.
 - promoting the effective use of technology to improve the educational experience and outcomes for children and young people with sensory impairment.

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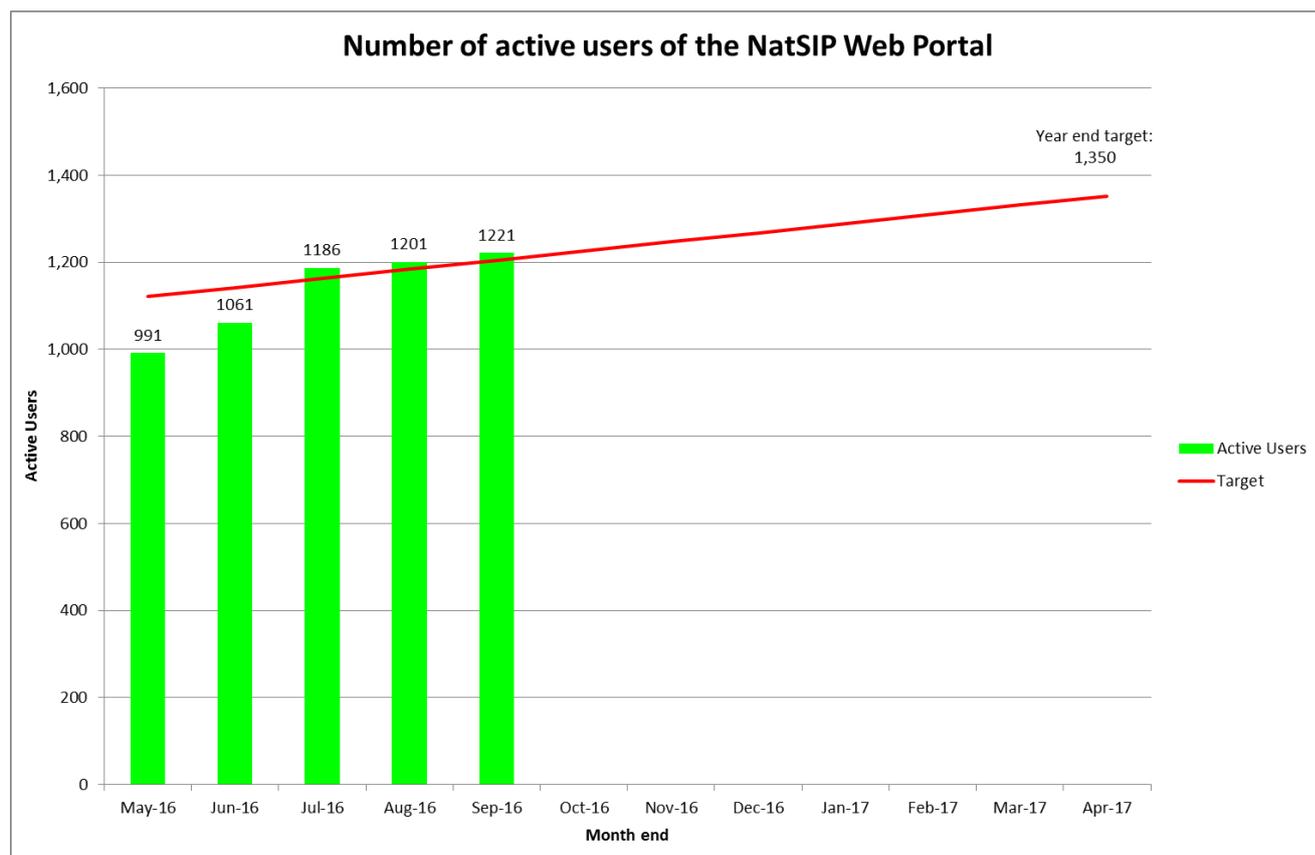
4. Contract Requirements

4.1 Contract Requirement 1 - Promoting good practice

| No | Requirement | Deliverable |
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| 1.1 | Development of a national online interactive resource | 1,500 visits to the hub over the first 6 months of operation The NatSIP portal and learning hub: Use of the NatSIP web portal will grow from 1,100 to 1,350 active registered users, with 150+ active users of the new learning hub. |

There have been 114 visits to the hub so far (before launch)

Active users of the NatSIP Web portal:



Outputs: Research has been undertaken with website users, delegates at events and through the HoSS email forum to ascertain views on the current website and the development of the Sensory Learning Hub within it. Earlier research, commissioned by NDCS into the views of HI professionals about sector websites has also been considered. Advisory group is scheduled to meet on 1/11/16.

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| 1.2 | National working days to validate new training materials | 3 national working days 70 delegates per day |
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Outputs: First working day was held on 25/5/16. 68 delegates.
Second working day was held on 4/10/2016. 71 delegates.
Third working day is scheduled for 7/2/2017.

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| 1.3 | What works database | Produce a database of resources that support good outcomes for CYP with SI We will establish a new database of what works with national reach, and aim for 100+ users in the life of the contract. |
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Outputs: Planning meetings held and outline taxonomies have been discussed and agreed. Work to be progressed in the national working day on 4/10/16 where user input on the proposed organisational principles and user experience (UX) will be solicited. Next meetings scheduled for 26/10/16 and 1/11/16.

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| 1.4 | A national programme of face to face training and support | Events and training: We will deliver 20+ events which will reach at least 700 attendees 8 regional events promoting resources and what works Face to face training will reach 200+ |
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Outputs: 24 events are listed in our planning sheet, with 9 now delivered and 9 currently open for bookings. The 9 events so far have reached 341 attendees (48.7% of our 700 target).

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| 1.5 | New national quality standards training | Training module on quality standards |
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Outputs: First QI workshop is scheduled for 14/10/16 in London.
Second workshop is scheduled for 19/1/17 in York.
QS linked to potential use within the Local Area Inspections will be explored via a presentation at the HoSS Conference on 19/10/16

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| 1.6 | CPD for frontline staff (online training) | Online training on HI, VI and MSI will be offered free to 300+ attendees 2 day HI, VI and MSI training courses. Training workshops on Equality Act and SEND support for SI CYP |
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Outputs: Material revision and updating for HI and VI courses is now complete. The MSI course remains in its original form with content provided by SENSE. Additional video material on technological advances in VI has been commissioned, and will be added to the courses when it is completed. The courseware has been updated to run on tablet computers as well as PCs. Tutor recruitment and training are proceeding using individual, telephone, Skype and group sessions. The first group training session is scheduled for Milton Keynes on 7/10/16. Some 24 possible trainers have been identified, with 21 of these at some stage of preparation across 17 local authorities.

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| 1.7 | New guidance for FE | Produce guidance for FE learning support staff |
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Outputs: Working group established, including young people. Collating the information on existing practice and areas of need and methodology for consulting with young people. The guidance to be published will be called 'Just Enough Support'.

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| 1.8 | Outcomes benchmarking | Automate outcomes benchmarking processes Outcomes benchmarking will continue reaching 100 plus LAs |
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Outputs: Automation of data collection and validation process (via a new web-based system named 'OBMRS') was completed in Q1.
This year's data-collection exercise opened on 1/9/16, with distribution of guidance and other materials. We also undertook a direct e-mailing launch to previous participants and other parties who had expressed an interest and targeted 163 individuals on 5/9/16.
There have been 2 submissions of data as at quarter 2 end.

4.2 Contract Requirement 2 – High Quality Teaching

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| 2.1 | CPD portfolio for Sensory Impairment | Develop CPD portfolio in Sensory Impairment |

Outputs: Working group met at National Working Day on 25/5/16 and will meet again on 4/10/16.
An easy-to-use on-line form to log CPD achievements is in design.

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| 2.2 | Training modules for frontline teaching staff | 300 places on online HI, VI and MSI training modules offered (see 1.6) with QTSI tutors |
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Outputs: See above at 1.6.

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| 2.3 | Resources for specialist teachers and lecturers | 3 regional courses for managers to improve support staff effectiveness |
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Outputs: Events are scheduled for:
8/11/16 (London)
15/11/16 (Bristol)
2/2/17 (Newcastle)

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| 2.4 | Specific training | Deliver RCE MSI courses in new regions |
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Outputs: Kent presentation of RCE Course started on 15/9/16 with 15 participants, including individuals from schools, social service, a mobility officer and a social worker.
Newcastle presentation started on 27/9/2016 with 10 participants from 5 different LAs: Newcastle, Gateshead, Middlesbrough, Barnsley and East Riding of Yorkshire.
We have had an expression of interest to deliver a presentation of the course in the south west – discussions on this are ongoing.

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| 2.4A | MSI Regional Course | Develop MSI RCE mainstream course Deliver courses |
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Outputs: Draft course outline is in preparation, with the MSI steering group being asked for case studies/good practice examples. A pilot cohort will be recruited in Spring 2017, possibly in Kent. The course will be reviewed after the pilot and prior to formal launch

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| 2.4B | MSI CYP Mainstream setting | |
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| 2.4C | Apprenticeships | Training for 16 training providers in supporting HI apprentices Monitoring HI apprentices Dissemination of learning at national event |
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Outputs: Work continues on monitoring and reviewing how deaf young people are accessing apprenticeships. During Q2, we published a summary of research commissioned from the Whitehall Industry Group on the experience of deaf young apprentices. This report also summarises the views of employers and training providers. We intend to use this information to support the development of a resource for training providers and to support the planned training/learning event in January 2017.

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| 2.4D | Online training course for CYP with VI and complex needs | Develop and validate online VI and complex needs course |
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Outputs: Initial planning meeting held and work on Unit 1 'Background to VI in children' underway during the quarter.

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| 2.4E | HI CYP and complex needs training | Develop and validate HI and complex needs course |
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Outputs: This requirement will be addressed by the production of a short video aimed at special schools.

A storyboard for the video has been drafted and circulated for feedback, which has been positive so far. The film will be made at Foreland School in Kent. Filming will take place in January.

We have also identified the film production company we intend to use, who have previous experience of working in the SI sector.

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| 2.4F | Specialist staff supporting teaching and learning within curriculum changes | Develop training for specialist teachers |
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Outputs: Working group established and information being collated which will feed into the training.

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| 2.5 | Future needs of sector | Research to establish current and future needs of specialist teaching in SI sector (need and numbers project) |
| | Links with 1 a) Develop NatSIP Learning Hub b) Quality Standards | See previous See previous |

Outputs: Collection of research evidence has commenced with key professional and delivery organisations. Desk research has also been compiled and three seminar days will add rigour and testing to the theories. These will take place on 4/10/16 in London, 30/11/16 at NatSIP North in York, and 19/1/17 in Bristol for the south west region. There have also been discussions with a number of individual commissioners about their future plans and interviews to be set up with the DfE.

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| | National Promotion | Promotion of resources, events and programmes through sector and partners |
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Output: This is an ongoing activity on the NatSIP website and HoSS email forum. In addition, sector partners promote NatSIP and we exchange information with the other SEND DfE contract holders and CDC. Next meeting scheduled for 14/10/16 in Q3.

There will be a NatSIP representative speaking at UKCoD conference on 2/11/16 in London, and the NatSIP facilitator will be speaking at a national SEND Forum event in Birmingham on 17/11/16.

4.3 Contract Requirement 3 – Quality EHC assessments and plans

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| 3.1 | Guidance on outcome based assessments | Publish guidance |

Outputs: Better assessments guidance for outcome-based assessments has been circulated for comment and some helpful feedback has been received. An updated document is scheduled for Q3.

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| 3.2 | Online training resource | Checklist resource of good features of EHC Plans for self-appraisal Information about producing SMART outcomes |
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Outputs: Draft resource under construction. Scheduled for publication in Q3.

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| 3.3 | Practical examples of EHC Plans | 9 exemplar EHC plans – covering early years, school and post 16 for HI, VI and MSI |
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Outputs: 6 plans already published. Work in progress to complete all 9 on schedule.

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| 3.4 | Promotion resources | 3 regional SI practitioner workshops (60 practitioners) on EHC needs assessments and plans 3 regional parent workshops (60) on EHC needs assessments and plans Training resources EHC plans for professionals and parents Examples of info gathering forms for EHC plans (x9) |
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Outputs: Practitioner workshops scheduled for:
10/10/16 (London)
24/11/16 (Bristol)
1/2/17 (York)
Parent workshops scheduled for:
24/9/2016 (London) 12 attendees
5/11/2016 (Bristol)
4/2/2017 (Manchester)
Support for those without a plan workshop scheduled for:
28/3/2017 (London)

4.4 Contract Requirement 4 – Promoting the use of technology for access and outcomes

| No | Requirement | Deliverable |
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| 4.1A | a) Establish a national technology advisory group for SI b) Framework of effectiveness | Workgroup established in first quarter to deliver and manage other outcomes |

Outputs: Group established. Work progressing on evaluation framework. A review of existing resources and evaluation frameworks has been undertaken. First working group meeting on 4/10/16 in London.

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| 4.1B | Guidance | Produce advice for learning hub on the use of technologies (product specific info) Publish by end of 4 th quarter |
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Outputs: WWDB (Technology) is being progressed as part of the website/sensory learning hub work.

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| 4.1C | Promote technology | Materials ready by end of March 2017 |
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Outputs: See 4.4 below.

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| 4.2 | Develop easy access resources | Publish during 3rd quarter |
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Outputs: Will be part of the website/sensory learning hub work. On track to be delivered.

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| 4.3 | Regional training days | Deliver 8 regional training days supporting SENCOs on the role and evidence base for technology within the contract period |
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Outputs: Training session scheduled at NatSIP working day 4/10/16.

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| 4.4 | Develop a tool to support the evaluation of new technologies | Develop a tool to evaluate new technologies (a pro-forma guide) |
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Outputs: Literature review will help the working group to develop a guide and discussions have already taken place with key technology leads in specialist services.

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| 4.4A | LENA | Pilot of tool to evaluate LENA by end of contract period |
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Outputs: LENA is being evaluated as part of a separate research study (not funded by NatSIP) into use of radio aids with pre-school deaf children. Research has started and is on track to produce an evaluation report on LENA in Q4. This will feed into the development of the lessons learnt for the development of an evaluation tool.

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| 4.4B | Use of tablets for VI | Pilot tool to evaluate load2Learn for VI |
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Outputs: RNIB/BT project with 50 CYP engaged through RNIB Book Share during Q2.

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| 4.5 | Develop a 'what works' database of technology interventions | Delivered and running by end of contract period. |
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Outputs: Will be part of the Website/Sensory Learning Hub work. Work has been undertaken and key resources identified for populating the website. Editorial process being agreed and development on track.

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| 4.6 | Updated guidance on the Equality Act duty | Produce guidance on equality act and use of technology to be placed in learning hub |
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Outputs: Current guidance will be updated as required.
Event planned in Q4 on 7/02/17 in London.

4.5 Contract Requirement 5 – Promotion Strategy

| No | Requirement | Deliverable |
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| 5.1 | Deliver co-ordinated promotion strategy for all materials and NatSIP learning hub | <p>NatSIP Learning Hub will be promoted through the NatSIP website.</p> <p>All materials and web based resources will be promoted by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • direct email communication to all Sensory Support services • Heads of Services Forum • VIEW membership • SEND Gateway • CDC website • promotional links to all VCS/specialist websites dealing with Sensory Impairment with cross links to NatSIP website including NDCS, SENSE, RNIB, Ear Foundation, Action on Hearing Loss, BATOD, etc. • cross promotions for early years, schools and further education web portals • links to SENCO training and SENCO resource sites and promoted at SENCO events • through the Special School networks and by direct promotion to special schools • joint cross promotion with other DfE funded work streams as appropriate • ensuring that materials and weblinks are available at all NatSIP events • through to Academy Chains, through Free Schools Network and Teaching Schools Alliance networks. • through other online communities via Twitter feeds, SMS and Facebook groups as appropriate as part of our ongoing social media strategy. |

Outputs: NatSIP has made 99 postings to HoSS in the contract period to date.

In September, tweets mentioning @NatSIPUK had a reach of 36,592 people (from 152 followers)

A Promotional plan being developed further across all NatSIP activities. NatSIP facilitator working closely with other DfE projects.

5. Deliverables (Financials)

5.1 Quarter 1

| Q/Dates | Output | Outcomes |
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| 1 | Establishment of work streams, commissioning of programmes | All workstreams have agreed project plans |
| | | 16 WIPs in place as at quarter end. Workstream leads agreed, commissioned and in place |

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| | Research and development of new materials | Review of how current practice around SEND reforms can be translated into practical training using existing NatSIP materials and additional development of materials where necessary |
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| | Commissioning and research on what works | Specialists in HI, VI and MSI education commissioned |
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| | EHC plans working up exemplars | Exemplars in draft |
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| | Development and research work on the Learning Hub | Sensory Learning Hub research group established |
| | | Steering meetings and technical discussions have taken place. Work to be progressed in the national working day on 4/10/16 where user involvement on the organisational principles and UX will be solicited. Next meetings scheduled for 26/10/16 and 1/11/16. |

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| | Start training of tutors | 20 tutors begin training to support online training offer |
| | | 24 possible tutors identified. Tutor training is using a mix of approaches including one-on-one, telephone, Skype and group training. Group training scheduled for 7/10/2016 |

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| | Commissioning of OnLine Training | OLT review of materials completed for HI/VI and underway for MSI |
| | OLT commissioned. | Review process agreed and material updates completed. |

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| | Specification agreed for website Learning Hub | Specification agreed for web development |
| | | Broad outline agreed. Detailed section-by-section work started. UX input to be gathered at the working day on 4/10/16. |

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| | Working group on technology established and research begun on what works database | Working group lead appointed. Research commenced across what works data bases. |
| | | Discussion meetings started. Outline taxonomy proposed. UX input to be gathered on the working day on 4/10/16. |

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| | Work commissioned on Equality Act guidance on technology | Current guidance reviewed |
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| | Action research on technology started. | LENA working group established |
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| | Deliver working day with 70 delegates | NatSIP working day 25 th May 2016 |
| | | Working day delivered. 68 delegates. |

5.2 Quarter 2

| Q/Dates | Output | Outcomes |
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| 2 | Upgrade website and supporting IT infrastructure for Learning Hub | Specification and back up sufficient to support work programme |
| | | Upgrade plan developed. Upgrades will track use → cost saving on buying capacity in advance of need. |

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| | Deliver 1 of face to face workshops on EHC Plans | |
| | | Workshop delivered on 24/9/16, London |

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| | Deliver 3 of workshops on Programme | Materials tested and participants' knowledge enhanced in training events |
| | | 5 events delivered by end Q2 |

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| | Deliver 2 regional workshops | |
| | | Delivery in NE - Newcastle and SE - Kent |

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| | 1 regional SI practitioner workshops (20 practitioners) on EHC needs assessments and plans | |
| | | Delivery scheduled in London 10/10/16 |

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| | 1 regional parent workshops (20) on EHC needs assessments and plans | |
| | | Delivered in London 24/09/16 |

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| | Identify content group and agree changes for Online Training and recruit tutors | Understanding and specialist knowledge included in OLT courses content 20 tutors recruited and training commenced. |
| | | 24 trainers identified across 17 LAs |

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| | What works databases tested | |
| | | UX input testing scheduled for working day on 4/10/16. |

5.3 Quarter 3

| Q/Dates | Output | Outcomes |
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| 3 | Deliver a number of face to face workshops on EHC plans | Materials tested and participants' knowledge enhanced. |
| | Deliver a number of workshops on SI content | Understanding and specialist knowledge enhanced for all course participants |
| | Deliver working day with 70 delegates | Reliable guidance on technology and educational approaches available. |
| | Workstreams deliver agreed new modules for learning hub validated by reference group. | |
| | 1 regional SI practitioner workshops (20 practitioners) on EHC needs assessments and plans | |
| | 1 regional parent workshops (20) on EHC needs assessments and plans | |
| | What works databases go live | |
| | Guidance on Equality Act published. | |
| | Provide training for 16 training providers in supporting HI apprentices | |
| | Monitor HI apprentices | |
| | Develop and validate online VI & complex needs course | |
| | Deliver training for specialist teachers | |
| | Develop CPD portfolio in sensory impairment | |

5.4 Quarter 4

| Q/Dates | Output | Outcomes |
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| 4 | Launch Learning Hub with new resources | Learning Hub and online training available and in place and all key audiences aware of its existence. |
| | Promotion plans secure coverage across all key audiences | |
| | EHC Plan guides x 9 completed and published | 'Better information' EHC plans and more outcome-focused plans produced |
| | Report on future of specialist teachers published. | Report available to inform future strategy on specialist support |
| | Dissemination of learning on HI Apprenticeships at event | |
| | 1 regional SI practitioner workshop (20 practitioners) on EHC needs assessments and plans | Better informed workforce on areas covered in training. |
| | 1 regional parent workshop (20) on EHC needs assessments and plans | |
| | Training resources EHC plan resources Example info gathering forms for EHC plans (x9) | |
| | Deliver working day with 80 delegates | |
| | Deliver 8 regional training days supporting SENCOs on the role and evidence base for technology with 90% satisfaction rate of three stars (good or above). | |
| | | Better use of technology in the classroom. Technology forum working and giving advice. What works resources for schools in two key areas |

6. KPIs

| KPI | Measurement Period | Measure | Monitoring method |
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| Project initiation and management. | May 2016 - March 2017 | Completion of the contract against targets | DfE |
| Set of Project Management groups and structure. Agreement of WIPS and project initiation. | May/June 2016 | Project Groups established and work commissioned | Reference Group |
| Working groups develop work programmes, recruit consultants and commission deliverables | June - September 2016 | Project plans approved and work commenced | Project Board |
| 1.1 Development of national online interactive resource | Jan 2017 - Jan 2018 | Hub operational with resources from the contract available on line and used | Number of users (1,600 over first 6 months of operation) Satisfaction of users using star rating system. Average of 3 stars satisfaction rating |
| 1.2 National working days to validate new training materials | May 2016 - March 2017 | 3 national working days 70 delegates per day | Monitoring forms (including star rating) at events |
| 1.3 What works database | June 2016 - March 2017 | Database produced by December 2016. 100 users by March 2017. | Number of users. |
| 1.4 A national programme of face to face training and support | June 2016 - March 2017 | 8 regional events promoting resources and what works with satisfaction rating of 90% 3 stars or above. 200 attendees with average satisfaction rate of 3 stars or above | Regional events produced with satisfaction rating. Monitoring forms at events |
| 1.5 New national Quality Standards training | June 2016 - March 2017 | Produce training module on quality standards and deliver training at events by March 2017 | Training module evaluation |

| KPI | Measurement Period | Measure | Monitoring method |
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| 1.6 CPD for frontline staff (online training) | Content agreed Sept 16, tutors trained December 16, 12 cohorts delivered by March 2017 Delivered by March 2017 | Online HI, VI and MSI training modules: Content updated, 20 tutors trained, cohorts engaged and courses delivered 2 day HI, VI and MSI training courses (6) | Available through OLT by target date Monitoring and impact on CYP part of the course Training evaluated and 6 month monitoring |
| 1.7 New guidance for FE | February 2017 | Guidance trialled and completed | Ready to go on Learning Hub and agreed with Reference and Project Group |
| 1.8 Outcomes benchmarking | December 2016 - June 2017 | Automate outcomes benchmarking processes Outcomes benchmarking will continue reaching 100 plus LA's | LA returns |
| REQUIREMENT 2 | | | |
| 2.1 CPD portfolio for Sensory Impairment | March 2017 | Develop CPD portfolio for Sensory Impairment | Portfolio produced and in use |
| 2.2 Training modules for frontline teaching staff | Sept 2016 - March 2017 | 300 places on online HI, VI and MSI training modules offered by QTSI tutors | Availability of modules for up to 300 people. |
| 2.3 Resources for specialist teachers and lecturers | July 2016 - February 2017 | 3 regional courses for 36 SI service senior managers. | Training evaluation and onward training |

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| <p>2.4 Specific training</p> <p>2.4A) MSI Regional Course</p> <p>2.4B) MSI CYP Mainstream setting</p> <p>2.4C) Apprenticeships</p> <p>2.4D) Online training course for CYP with VI and complex needs</p> <p>2.4E) HI CYP and complex needs training</p> <p>2.4 F) Specialist staff and curriculum changes</p> | June 2016- March 2017. | <p>Deliver RCE MSI courses in new regions</p> <p>Develop MSI RCE mainstream course and deliver pilot by January 2017</p> <p>Deliver training to 16 providers and monitor</p> <p>Hold learning event January 2017</p> <p>Develop and validate Online VI & complex needs course by March 2017</p> <p>HI & complex needs by January 2017</p> <p>Develop training for specialist teachers</p> | <p>Courses all validated by professionals</p> <p>Course ready to go, approved by Ref Group.</p> <p>Pilot delivered and evaluated</p> <p>Evaluations</p> <p>Evaluations and use of course</p> <p>Evaluations and use of course</p> <p>Evaluation of training docs</p> |
| 2.5 Future needs of sector | January 2017 | Research completed to time and quality standards. | Approval by Reference Group and Project Group |
| REQUIREMENT 3 | | | |
| 3.1 Guidance on outcome based assessments | January 2017 | Produce guidance document | Approval by Ref Gp and publication |
| 3.2 Online training resource | December 2016 | <p>Produce Checklist resource of good features of EHC Plans for self-appraisal</p> <p>Information about producing SMART outcomes</p> | Checklist produced and approved by Reference and Project Group |
| 3.3 Practical examples of EHC Plans | February 2017 | 9 exemplar EHC plans – covering early years, school and post 16 x HI, VI and MSI | Approved by Reference Group and Project Group and published |

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| 3.4 Promotion resources | June 2016- March 2017 | 3 regional SI practitioner workshops (60 practitioners) on EHC needs assessments and plans 3 regional parent workshops (60) on EHC needs assessments and plans Training resources EHC plan resources Example info gathering forms for EHC plans (x9) All course achieve 90% satisfaction rate | Satisfaction rates and people targets meet. |
| REQUIREMENT 4 | | | |
| 4.1 a) Establish a national technology advisory group for SI b)Framework B) Guidance C) Promote technology | July 2016 January 2017 March 201 January 2017- March 2017 | Group established Framework produced Guidance produced Advice for Learning Hub Promotional activity | Approved by Reference Group |
| 4.2 Develop easy access resources | December 2016 | Publish resources | Ref Gp approval Evaluation of use |
| 4.3 Regional training days | | Deliver 8 regional training days supporting SENCOs on the role and evidence base for technology with 90% satisfaction rate of three stars (good or above). | Regional days take place to quality criteria. |
| 4.4 Develop a tool to support the evaluation of new technologies | March 2017 | Proforma guide | Reference Group and project group |

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| 4.4 A) LENA 4.4B) Use of tablets for VI | | Evaluations produced within timescale | |
| 4.5 Develop a 'what works database of technology interventions | February 2017 | Database produced with 50 initial users by end of contract | Reference Group and Project Group |
| 4.6 Updated guidance on the Equality Act (2012) duty | December 2016 | Guidance on equality act and use of technology to be placed in learning hub within timescales agreed. | Reference Group and Project Group |
| Promotion Strategy | | | |
| 5.1 Deliver co-ordinated promotion strategy for all materials and NatSIP learning hub | June 2016- March 2017. | <p>Links to all the targets specified in the Strategy are made including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Direct email communication to all Sensory Support services -Heads of Services Forum -View membership -SEND Gateway -CDC website -Promotional Links to all VCS/specialist websites dealing with Sensory with Cross Links to NatSIP website including NDCS, SENSE, RNIB, Ear Foundation, Action on Hearing Loss, etc. -Cross promotions for early years, schools and further education web portals -Promotion at events and working days -linked to SENCO training and SENCO | Monitoring from social media and other distribution mechanisms. |

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| | | <p>resource sites and promoted at SENCO events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Promotion through Special School networks and by direct promotion -Joint cross promotion with other DfE funded work streams as appropriate -Ensuring that materials and weblinks are available at all NatSIP events -Promotion to Academy Chains, through Free Schools Network and Teaching Schools Alliance networks. -Promotion through other online communities via Twitter feeds, SMS and Facebook groups as appropriate as part of our ongoing social media strategy <p>Learning Hub has 1,000 visitors by June 2017</p> | |

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