

Targeted call for rapid research

Evaluating the provision of distributed technology to adults with lived experience of modern slavery

25 November 2021

Call Overview

About the Call

The Modern Slavery and Human Rights Policy and Evidence Centre (the Modern Slavery PEC) has re-opened a targeted call for proposals on a research project evaluating the provision of distributed technology to adults with lived experience of modern slavery.

The aim of this research project will be to evaluate the provision of distributed technology (including phones, smartphones, computer hardware and software, and associated data packages to enable internet access) to adults with lived experience of modern slavery accessing support services through the UK's National Referral Mechanism (NRM) and the related impact on well-being and recovery and on safeguarding.

The scope of the research is limited to adults with a positive reasonable grounds decision in receipt of NRM support in Scotland, England and Wales.¹ The impact of technology provision for dependents and trafficked children are out of scope. The project is not expected to include analysis of the impact of the broader move to digital service support provision outside of the NRM e.g. remote GP appointments.

The objectives are to:

- A. Assess the benefits and drawbacks of the provision of distributed technology on the experience of accessing and delivering online services delivered through the NRM;
- B. Assess the impact of the provision of distributed technology and related online safety training on well-being and recovery and on safeguarding whilst in the NRM and the longer-term impact of such provision or withdrawal;
- C. Explore patterns according to the type of technology; characteristics of individuals in support; and type of service received;
- D. Consider the situation across the different support provision in the UK (comparing several initiatives including at least one in Scotland and at least two initiatives in England and Wales);

Desirable objectives:

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E. Consider lessons learned about the role of distributed technology as part of support provided to survivors of other types of crime (such as domestic abuse) and to explore general principles of how distributed technology can be used to connect vulnerable groups and those at risk of mental health issues to wider social and cultural resources.

A maximum budget of £80,000 at 100% full economic cost (FEC) is allocated for this project. The Modern Slavery PEC expects to fund one project for this work. Projects must be led by a UK higher education institution or approved research organisation eligible to receive UKRI funding, and the project must be in collaboration with at least one UK based third sector organisation.

¹ The terminology used by the NRM to refer to a person who has a positive reasonable grounds decision and is in receipt of NRM support is 'potential victim of modern slavery'

Key Dates

Action/Activity	Deadline
Call announcement	25 November 2021
Call deadline	4pm (UK time) 11 January 2022
Decision to successful team	Week beginning 31 January 2022
Project start	w/b 28 February 2022 (tbc with successful team)
Delivery of final outputs	August 2022 (tbc with successful team)

Call Webinar and FAQ

A call webinar was held on 12 October 2021, this webinar went through the scope of the original call and answered questions from potential applicants. Following the webinar, a recording of it can be found on the call web page. If you have further questions, or questions on the amendments to the call, please email office@modernslaverypec.org. All questions and answers will also be shared in the call's FAQ document (found at the bottom of the call web page).

Updates to the call

Following feedback, we have re-opened this funding call, originally launched September 2021, to include the following changes:

- 1. Project timeframe extended to six months (from four months), with scope to discuss timeframes with the successful applicant
- 2. Increase of maximum budget to £80,000 (from £75,000) at 100% FEC
- 3. We have specified the number of initiatives that we would like researchers to consider to include at least one in Scotland and at least two initiatives in England and Wales
- 4. We have amended the scope of the research to make it more flexible for the research teams. We have made the objective on lessons learned about the role of distributed technology as part of support provided to survivors of other types of crime and general principles of how distributed technology can be used to connect vulnerable groups and those at risk of mental health issues to wider social and cultural resources (objective E) "desirable" rather than "essential".
- 5. We have made the requirements for key elements of the research more flexible, so that they can be confirmed in collaboration with the Modern Slavery PEC rather than being prefixed at the point of application.

Introduction

About the PEC

The Modern Slavery and Human Rights Policy and Evidence Centre (the Modern Slavery PEC) was created by the investment of public funding to enhance the understanding of modern slavery and transform the effectiveness of laws and policies designed to prevent it.

It's designed to provide independent, impartial and authoritative insight and analysis on modern slavery based on high quality research it commissions, aiming to have a transformational impact on the understanding of modern slavery and the responses to it.

The Centre brings together academics, policymakers, businesses, civil society, survivors and the public on a scale not seen before in the UK to collaborate on solving this global challenge. The Modern Slavery PEC's approach is rooted in human rights.

Led by the <u>Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law</u> (part of the <u>British Institute of International and Comparative Law (BIICL)</u>) the Centre is a consortium of universities and Independent Research Organisations with a track record in world-class work on modern slavery. The Modern Slavery PEC is funded and actively supported by the <u>Art and Humanities Research Council</u>, with additional support from the <u>Economic and Social Sciences Research Council</u>, on behalf of the <u>UK Research and Innovation</u> (UKRI), from the Strategic Priorities Fund.

Our aim and guiding principles for research

We support research which provides innovative, independent, impartial and authoritative insight and analysis on modern slavery. Our aim is to drive policy change and have a transformational impact on the understanding of modern slavery and the responses to it.

We aim to change the way in which modern slavery research is done through our guiding principles of effectiveness, equity and survivor-involvement. We aspire to facilitate new collaborations in modern slavery research including by supporting partnerships between those who have not previously worked together. By doing so, we hope to bring together the many different actors in the modern slavery space to maximise their collective influence.

The Modern Slavery PEC strongly encourages that applications involve people with lived experience in the design and/or implementation of the project. We design our calls with the aspiration for them to be inclusive to encourage a greater diversity of applicants and approaches to modern slavery research.

We intend for all of the research that we fund to align with our guiding principles. We therefore expect all research that the Modern Slavery PEC funds to support diversity and inclusion with respect to those who carry out the research and in terms of interdisciplinarity.

Background and context for this call

In England and Wales support for adults who have experienced modern slavery is provided through a mixture of mainstream and/or specialist support. Government funded support for adults in England and Wales referred to the NRM is managed by the Home Office through the Modern

Slavery Victim Care Contract.² The Scottish Government provides funding to TARA and Migrant Help to support adult trafficking victims across Scotland.³

Improving survivor recovery and support and understanding longer-term outcomes are priority research areas for the Modern Slavery PEC.⁴ Improving evidence on this issue is a priority for multiple stakeholder groups working to address modern slavery. In 2020, six members of Survivor Alliance identified five research areas to address issues of sustainable freedom and wellbeing for survivors. Coping with trauma and recovery was ranked as the highest priority.⁵ The Centre for the Study of International Slavery's evaluation of a long-term support system set up by City Hearts recommended improving the evidence base on how outcomes relate to different systems, processes and levels of support and the Centre for Social Justice and Justice & Care identified good care for those exploited as a key principle for reform.⁶ The UK Government's research priorities for modern slavery highlighted need for survivor informed evidence about the processes and systems needed to recover and reintegrate, and the Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner includes among her current research priorities understanding victim and survivor experiences and longer-term outcomes, the impact of digital poverty for victims and survivors in the NRM and evaluating efforts to provide practical support such as digital access.⁷

Through an Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC) open call process, the Modern Slavery PEC has recently funded five research projects which are all exploring longer term outcomes for people with lived experience of modern slavery. Further information about these projects can be found here.

The PEC is seeking to complement these existing projects through three calls for additional research to fill other priority evidence gaps on the theme of survivor recovery. This call relates to research exploring how support services have adapted due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the related impact on people's well-being and recovery and on safeguarding. The other call focus on evaluating the provision of distributed technology. Details about this can be found <a href="https://example.com/here.

During the Covid-19 pandemic, organisations supporting people with lived experience of modern slavery were forced to move to providing support remotely, including by phone and online. **Currently, provision of technology to individuals in receipt of NRM support is not part of the standard support package**. NGOs have raised concerns about 'digital exclusion' among adult victims and survivors⁸ and some support providers have had concerns about the risk of digital

² Home Office, Modern Slavery: Statutory Guidance for England and Wales (under s49 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015) and Non-Statutory Guidance for Scotland and Northern Ireland, version 2.3 June 2021, p.47 https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/993172/Modern_Slave

ry Statutory Guidance EW Non-Statutory Guidance SNI v2.3.pdf

3 Scottish Government, Trafficking and Exploitation Strategy – Third Annual Progress Report and Strategy Review, 29 May 2020, https://www.gov.scot/publications/trafficking-exploitation-strategy-third-annual-progress-report-strategy-review/documents/

⁴ Modern Slavery PEC, Strategy 2021-2024: https://modernslaverypec.org/resources/strategy

⁵ Modern Slavery PEC, Consultation on the Modern Slavery PEC's research priorities, January 2021, https://modernslaverypec.org/assets/downloads/Research-consultation-report-final.pdf

⁶ Centre for the Study of International Slavery, Fresh Start: Integrating Survivors of Modern Slavery, 2017, p.29 https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/media/livacuk/csis/Fresh,Start,A5.pdf;

Centre for Social Justice and Justice & Care, It Still Happens Here: Fighting UK Slavery in the 2020s, July 2020, https://www.centreforsocialjustice.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/lt-Still-Happens-Here.pdf

⁷ Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner, Annual Report 2020-21, July 2021 p.86

https://www.antislaverycommissioner.co.uk/media/1642/independent-anti-slavery-commissioner-annual-report-2020-2021.pdf

⁸ van Deursen AJAM, Digital Inequality During a Pandemic: Quantitative Study of Differences in Covid-19–Related Internet Uses and Outcomes Among the General Population. Journal of Medical Internet Research 2020;22(8):e20073. https://doi.org/10.2196/20073;

Watts G. Covid-19 and the digital divide in the UK, The Lancet Digital Health 2020;2(8):e395-e96. https://doi.org/10.1016/S2589-7500(20)30169-2

access in certain instances.⁹ Some subcontracted support providers have received donated devices from the private sector for service users. During the Covid-19 pandemic, funding from the Home Office and Scottish Government was provided to enable subcontractors to adapt how they provided support, under the umbrella term of 'distributed technology', including phones, smartphones, computer hardware and software, and associated data packages to enable internet access.

There has been some initial research into digital devices for NRM service users: a TARA (support provider in Scotland) snapshot survey of service users, and research from Unseen and University of Bristol¹⁰, have both examined how service users viewed donated smartphones and research assessed a pilot project offering music therapy to trafficked women in a safe house, including via video conferencing.¹¹ Findings from the existing evidence base show that service users were positive about smartphones and accessing online support services, however existing research has largely focused on the impact of smartphones on wellbeing, with more limited focus on the potential safety risks posed from distributing technology and the longer-term opportunities and implications of distributed technology for how support services are delivered, especially as Covid-19 restrictions ease.

The outputs from this research project will contribute to the growing evidence base about the role of distributed technology on the delivery of services and on people's safety and well-being and recovery. The Modern Slavery PEC will use the findings to influence ongoing policy and operational considerations about the role of distributed technology as part of the NRM support package and beyond.

In accordance with the Modern Slavery PEC's strategic objective of facilitating collaboration, successful teams will work cooperatively with the Modern Slavery PEC to ensure alignment with our objectives as well as to maximise impact.

Aim, scope, and objectives of the research

The aim of this research project will be to evaluate the provision of distributed technology to adults with lived experience of modern slavery accessing support services through the UK's National Referral Mechanism (NRM) in Scotland, England and Wales and the related impact on well-being/recovery and on safeguarding.

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⁹ Kate Garbers, Alice Malpass, Lauren Saunders, Jeremy Horwood, Hugh McLeod, Eric Anderson, Michelle Farr, Impact of mobile technology for survivors of modern slavery and human trafficking: A mixed method study, May 2021. https://www.unseenuk.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/FINAL-Unseen-BT-Evaluation-report Technology-report 17MAY.pdf

¹⁰ Kate Garbers, Alice Malpass, Lauren Saunders, Jeremy Horwood, Hugh McLeod, Eric Anderson, Michelle Farr, Impact of mobile technology for survivors of modern slavery and human trafficking: A mixed method study, May 2021. https://www.unseenuk.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/FINAL-Unseen-BT-Evaluation-report_Technology-report_17MAY.pdf

¹¹ McIntyre, L. (2021) 'Adapting practice during the Covid-19 pandemic: Experiences, learnings, and observations of a music therapist running virtual music therapy for trafficked women', Approaches: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Music Therapy, Advance Online Publication. http://approaches.gr/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Approaches-FirstView-r20210317-mcintyre.pdf

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Key elements of the research

The successful applicant will be expected to develop a methodology in collaboration with the Modern Slavery PEC. This is expected to include the following components (to be confirmed in collaboration with the Modern Slavery PEC):

- A desk-based review of existing evidence.
- Applicants should set out their proposed approach to measuring well-being/recovery for example through use of existing well-being scales or survivor informed outcomes.
- Qualitative research with an appropriate number (rationale to be provided) of support providers and service users in both Scotland and England/Wales, which would be subject to ethics and data sharing approvals.
- In line with the PEC's guiding principle of survivor involvement, the methodology should demonstrate how input of people with lived experience of modern slavery is built in throughout the design and delivery of the research, whilst ensuring survivor engagement is appropriate and takes account of safeguarding and ethics implications.

Required outputs

The successful applicant will deliver a full report as well as a Research Summary tailored for policymakers. The outputs will be co-produced with the PEC team so there should be ample time included in the proposed project timeline for the sharing of drafts to enable comments and feedback to be incorporated.

- The full report should be no more than 10,000 words (excluding references/annexes)
- The summary briefing should be no more than (2,500 words)
- Both should provide key recommendations for policymakers and other actors as appropriate

The project team will also be invited to present interim findings to the PEC team and other relevant audiences at a suitable mid-point during the research.

Project milestones and timeline

Milestones and timeline		
Application process		
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Call announcement	25 November 2021	
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Decision to successful team	Week beginning 31 January 2022	
Project start	w/b 28 February 2022 (tbc with successful team)	
Project milestones and deliverables		
Action/Activity	Deadline	
Revised workplan and methodology (provided to PEC by project team)	Late-February 2022	
Delivery of full draft of project report	Mid-July 2022 (subject to discussions with successful team)	
Delivery of PEC Research Summary	Mid-August 2022 (subject to discussions with successful team)	
Delivery of final outputs	August 2022	
Collaborating on PEC dissemination activities e.g. events, webinars, meetings (see Eligible Costs)	August 2022	

Additional information for applicants

Ways of working with the PEC

Collaboration and co-operation are key values for the Modern Slavery PEC. As such we will work jointly with the successful research team from the outset and will co-design and co-create research outputs that are timely, relevant, accessible, and have the potential to deliver policy impact. The Modern Slavery PEC and the successful research team will agree regular touchpoints throughout the project cycle to facilitate this collaboration.

Ethics and Safeguarding

There may be a need to collect primary data, e.g. via survey, semi-structured interviews or focus groups, from key informants and organisations that work in this sector, in which case the applicant should detail their proposed plans and processes for gaining ethical approval before data collection begins. See the section below on working with people with lived experience where we outlining our safeguarding and collaboration expectations.

The Modern Slavery PEC strongly encourages that applications involve people with lived experience in the design and/or implementation of the project. Where a project undertakes new research directly involving vulnerable groups or people with lived experience modern slavery, projects should carefully consider ethics and safeguarding implications. In the ethics statement, applicants should include reference to organisational policies and processes around safeguarding, developing project specific policies where appropriate.

Data protection/GDPR

All data must be collated and stored in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the Data Protection Act 2018, the UK General Data Protection Regulation 2021 and, if necessary, the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2016. Applicants should detail their systems and processes for dealing with data securely. Proposals must cover how data will be transported/transferred, handled, analysed and stored, including retention schedules, within the Ethics Statement.

Any and all datasets produced in the course of this research will remain the property of the successful applicant. The final report will be co-branded with the Modern Slavery PEC, whilst the summary briefing will be branded as a PEC output (example). Both the successful applicant and the Modern Slavery PEC will be free to use the final report as they wish after the end date of the project.

For more information on how we handle your data please visit our privacy policy.

Budget

A maximum budget of £80,000 at 100% full economic cost (FEC) is allocated for this project. The Modern Slavery PEC expects to fund one project for this work.

The project must be led by a UK higher education institution or approved research organisation which is eligible to receive UKRI funding¹², and the project must be in collaboration with at least one UK based third sector organisation. Higher education institutes and approved research organisations will receive 80% FEC. UK based third sector organisations are eligible to collaborate as consultants and will be funded at 100% FEC through the lead organisation. International organisations are not eligible for this particular call. The combined third sector organisation budget must account for no more than 30% of the total cost. Costs for third sector organisations must be broken down by item in the budget spreadsheet.

We request that Principal and Co-Investigators are involved in only one application submission per call. There is no limit to the number of applications a higher education, research organisation can submit, nor to the number of applications a third sector organisation can collaborate on.

Eligible Costs

We will fund costs which are in line with AHRC's policies¹³, with the following exceptions:

- All staff costs, including academic time, must be costed as Directly Incurred due to the
 profiling of the award. We unfortunately cannot pay DA (Directly Allocated) Investigator
 costs but support the inclusion of PI/Co-I time as a DI cost.
- Any costs for travel must be realistic under the current circumstances and we request that any activity involving travel has appropriate mitigations and alternatives suggested.
- Given the short-term nature of the project we will not be awarding costs for equipment such as audio recording equipment or laptops.
- The design of the written outputs will be arranged by the Modern Slavery PEC and so design costs will not be eligible.
- Dissemination activities will be led by the PEC in collaboration with the research team. Costs relating to dissemination should therefore be limited to researcher time only.

Working with people with lived experience

 $^{^{12}\ \}underline{\text{https://www.ukri.org/apply-for-funding/before-you-apply/check-if-you-are-eligible-for-research-and-innovation-funding/apply-for-funding/before-you-apply/check-if-you-are-eligible-for-research-and-innovation-funding/apply-for-funding/apply-for-funding/before-you-apply/check-if-you-are-eligible-for-research-and-innovation-funding/apply-for-funding/apply-fundi$

¹³ https://ahrc.ukri.org/documents/guides/research-funding-guide1/ (from page 52)

As per our guiding principles for researchers, the Modern Slavery PEC encourages researchers to include people with lived experience in all aspects of their research project. We encourage all projects to consider whether they should have a specific safeguarding policy or framework. According to organisations such as UK Collaborative on International Development Research (UKCDR), safeguarding means 'taking all reasonable means to prevent harm from occurring; to protect people, especially vulnerable adults and children, from that harm; and to respond appropriately when harm does occur'. Policies should include consideration of rights of people with lived experience and whistle-blowers, and how the project addresses questions of equity, fairness, transparency and accountability. This should include all parts of the research chain, from research funders, planners and practitioners to participants and local community members, where everyone has the right to be safe from harm.

We request that the following principles are adhered to when working with people with lived experience:

- Ground rules are established with the participants, including use of terminology, and agreed rules about withdrawal from discussions or activities.
- Signposting to resources to support participants (the Modern Slavery PEC can assist with these) and consider funds to support this if appropriate.
- People with lived experience are paid for their time (including being participants on interview panels and focus groups) and that this is done so in a manner appropriate to participants (considering cash payments or use of vouchers).
- Carrying out a risk assessment, specifically considering risks for those with lived experience.

Application process

To apply for this call applications must be made through our online form (https://modernslaverypec.submit.com/) and include the following attachments or sections (where word limits are specified, please note that the panel will not read past the maximum word count):

- 1. **Team information** including a breakdown of team members, institutions or organisations and contact information
- 2. **Project description** (500 words maximum) which is suitable for a general audience. We may use this text for our website, so please ensure it's accessible to non-experts, and avoid acronyms or jargon where possible
- 3. **Project Narrative** (2,500 words maximum) outlining how the research team intend to approach the project, including:
 - a. A clear definition of the scope of the research, including any additional changes to the scope beyond those specified in the call documentation
 - b. A clear explanation and justification for the chosen approach and methodology responding to the aims and objectives and key elements outlined in this call
 - c. A detailed timeline incorporating the milestones and deliverables outlined in this call document
 - d. Details and relevant experience of each team member involved in the delivery of the project, and a description of why they and their organisations are best placed to address the research question
 - e. A description of how the project will support an equitable partnership between the higher education/research organisations and the third sector organisations
 - f. A list of the top two or three risks that might impact delivery of the project and how these will be managed within the team

¹⁴ https://www.ukcdr.org.uk/what-we-do/our-work/safeguarding/

¹⁵ https://www.ukcdr.org.uk/resource/guidance-on-safeguarding-in-international-development-research/

- 4. Ethics and Safeguarding Statement (500 words maximum) describing the proposed methods and safeguards which will be put in place for working with vulnerable people and/or their data
- 5. **Budget Table** (a template can be downloaded on the online form) detailing the costs of each organisation, cost need to be broken down by item, adding a new line for each item, including items within third sector organisation costs. Full instructions are included in budget template
- 6. **Justification of Resources** (500 words maximum) explaining the reasons why each budget line is being requested (excluding Estates and Indirects)
- 7. **Equality, diversity and inclusion data**, the Modern Slavery PEC is committed to inclusive and diverse research which represents the range of communities and people with lived experience from different ethnic, racial and other backgrounds, . The equality, diversity and inclusion information will be used to help us to monitor the range of applicants to Responsive Research calls. This information will not be used to assess application and will not be passed on to the panel.
- 8. **Additional documentation**, this is not a requirement of the call, but projects may submit letters of support, GANTT charts, visual evidence, risk registers or other complementary documentation. This will not be scored, but will assist in project set up and timelines should the applications be successful.

Assessment process

The assessment panel will contain a mixture of experts including Modern Slavery PEC staff, policymakers, industry experts and people with lived experience of modern slavery. With this in mind, applicants should ensure language is clear and that technical terms and acronyms are clearly explained.

The panel will score applications, using the AHRC grading system¹⁶ against the following headings:

- 1. Project narrative:
 - a. Scope
 - b. Methodology, and how it relates to the aims, objectives and key elements of the call
 - c. Timeline, milestones and deliverables
 - d. Breakdown of team, organisations involved and inclusion of third sector organisation
 - e. Equitable partnerships between higher education organisation and third sector organisation
 - f. Alignment with the Modern Slavery PEC's guiding principles for research: equity, effectiveness, and survivor involvement
- 2. Ethics, including ways of working with third sector organisations and vulnerable people, with specific attention given to safeguarding policies
- 3. Budget and justification of resources, including the distribution of funds and tasks between organisations

All applications will be reviewed by an assessment panel convened by the Modern Slavery PEC that will include external independent reviewers. Each panel member will, independently score the applications using the six point AHRC grading scale. Applications must score an average of 4 out of six (very good) or higher from the majority of panel members against each point in headings one

¹⁶ https://ahrc.ukri.org/peerreview/peer-review-handbook/the-review-process/grading-scale/

and two in order for it to be assessed at the panel meeting. Projects with large discrepancies will be discussed at the panel meeting and the chair of the panel will decide on any disputes.

Call webinar and frequently asked questions

A call webinar was held on 1pm (UK time) 12 October 2021, this webinar went through the scope of the original call and answered questions from potential applicants. Following the webinar, a recording of it can be found on the call web page. If you have further questions, or questions on the amendments to the call, please email office@modernslaverypec.org. All questions and answers will also be shared in the call's FAQ document (found at the bottom of the call web page).

Contacting the Modern Slavery PEC

The Modern Slavery PEC team can be contacted at office@modernslaverypec.org. Please allow two working days for a response and note that the Modern Slavery PEC office will be closed for Christmas break from 5pm 17 December 2021 to 4 January 2022.

If you would like to discuss partnerships with other researchers and practitioners, please sign up to our Google Group to get in touch with others in our network.