

Skills For the Information Age (SFIA) Definitions and rate card



Introduction

Procea offers diverse approaches to delivery consultancy services form Time & Materials, Fixed Price, and discounts applied for length of delivery, quantity of resources and existing customers.

With deep healthcare and digital expertise, backed by digital consultants who have worked in the NHS in interim roles such as Chief information Officers, we provide the right type of high-quality talent. Our SFIA rate card, covers UK-based staff with a mix of onsite, remote and hybrid working arrangements dependent on the assignment as agreed with the client.

Rates exclude VAT and are customisable to meet specific client needs as programmes & projects ramp up and down.

Our collaborative approach ensures swift and effective implementation, with stakeholder engagement at all levels. Fixed price deliverables are adjusted for risks and volume. Lead times and mobilsation is subject to resource availability and supplier terms.



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Standard rate card

	Strategy and architecture	Change and transformation	Development & implementation	Delivery & operation	People & skills	Relationships & engagement
1. Follow	£350	£350	£350	£350	£350	£350
2. Assist	£500	£500	£500	£400	£400	£425
3. Apply	£650	£650	£650	£550	£550	£550
4. Enable	£750	£750	£750	£650	£650	£650
5. Ensure, advise	£950	£850	£950	£750	£750	£750
6. Initiate, influence	£1100	£950	£1100	£850	£850	£850
7. Set strategy, inspire, mobilise	£1450	£1200	£1450	£1000	£1000	£1000

Standards for consultancy day rate cards

- Consultant's working day: 8 hours exclusive of travel and lunch
- Working week: Monday to Friday excluding national holidays
- Office hours: 9:00am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday
- **Travel, mileage subsistence**: Included in day rate within M25. Payable at department's standard travel and subsistence rates outside M25



- Mileage: As for travel, mileage subsistence
- Professional indemnity insurance: included in day rate

Level definitions

	Autonomy	Influence	Complexity	Business skills	Knowledge
1. Follow	Works under close direction. Uses little discretion in attending to enquiries. Is expected to seek guidance in unexpected situations.	Minimal Influence. May work alone or interact with immediate colleagues.	Performs routine activities in a structured environment. Requires assistance in resolving unexpected problems. Participates in the generation of new ideas.	 Has sufficient oral and written communication skills for effective engagement with immediate colleagues. Uses basic systems and tools, applications and processes. Demonstrates an organised approach to work. Has basic digital skills to learn and use applications and tools for their role. Learning and professional development — contributes to identifying own development opportunities. Security, privacy and ethics — understands and complies with organisational standards. 	Has a basic generic knowledge appropriate to area of work. Applies newly acquired knowledge to develop new skills.
2.	Works under routine direction. Uses limited discretion in	Interacts with and may influence immediate	Performs a range of work activities in varied environments.	Has sufficient oral and written communication skills for effective engagement with	Has gained a basic domain knowledge. Demonstrates
Assist	resolving issues or enquiries. Determines when to seek guidance in unexpected	colleagues. May have some external contact with customers, suppliers and partners. Aware	May contribute to routine issue resolution. May apply creative thinking or	colleagues and internal users/ customers. • Understands and uses appropriate methods, tools, applications and processes.	application of essential generic knowledge typically found in industry bodies of knowledge.



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	situations. Plans own	of need to	suggest new ways to	Demonstrates a rational and	Absorbs new
	work within short	collaborate with	approach a task.	organised approach to work.	information when it is
	time horizons.	team and represent		Has sufficient digital skills for	presented
		users/customer		their role.	systematically and
		needs		Learning and professional	applies it effectively
				development — identifies and	
				negotiates own development	
				opportunities.	
				 Security, privacy and ethics — 	
				is	
				fully aware of organisational	
				standards. Uses appropriate	
				working practices in own work.	
3.	Works under general	Interacts with and	Performs a range of	Demonstrates effective oral	Has sound generic,
	direction. Receives	influences	work, sometimes	and written communication	domain and specialist
	specific direction,	colleagues. May	complex and	skills when engaging on issues	knowledge necessary
Apply	accepts guidance	oversee others or	nonroutine, in a	with colleagues, users/	to perform effectively
	and has work	make decisions	variety of	customers, suppliers and	in the organisation
	reviewed at agreed	which impact	environments. Applies	partners.	typically gained from
	milestones. Uses	routine work	a methodical	Understands and effectively	recognised bodies of
	discretion in	assigned to	approach to routine	applies appropriate methods,	knowledge and
	identifying and	individuals or stages	and moderately	tools, applications and	organisational
	responding to	of projects. Has	complex issue	processes.	information. Has an
	complex issues	working level	definition and	Demonstrates judgement and	appreciation of the
	related to own	contact with	resolution. Applies	a systematic approach to	wider business
	assignments.	customers, suppliers	and contributes to	work.	context.
	Determines when	and partners.	creative thinking or	Effectively applies digital skills	Demonstrates
	issues should be	Understands and	finds new ways to	and explores these capabilities	effective application
	escalated to a	collaborates on the	complete tasks.	for their role.	and the ability to
	higher level. Plans	analysis of		Learning and professional	impart knowledge
	and monitors own	user/customer needs		development — takes the	found in industry
	work (and that of	and represents this in		initiative	bodies of knowledge.
	others where	their work.		to develop own knowledge and	Absorbs new
	applicable)	Contributes fully to		skills by identifying and	



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	competently within limited deadlines.	the work of teams by appreciating how own role relates to other roles.		negotiating appropriate development opportunities. • Security, privacy and ethics — demonstrates appropriate working practices and knowledge in non-routine work. Appreciates how own role and others support appropriate working practices.	information and applies it effectively
4.	Works under general direction within a clear framework of	Influences customers, suppliers and partners at	Work includes a broad range of complex technical or	Communicates fluently, orally and in writing, and can present complex	Has a thorough understanding of recognised generic
Enable	accountability. Exercises substantial personal responsibility and autonomy. Uses substantial discretion in identifying and responding to complex issues and assignments as they relate to the deliverable/scope of work. Escalates when issues fall outside their framework of accountability. Plans, schedules and monitors work to meet given objectives and	account level. Makes decisions which influence the success of projects and team objectives. May have some responsibility for the work of others and for the allocation of resources. Engages with and contributes to the work of cross- functional teams to ensure that customers and user needs are being met throughout the deliverable/scope of work. Facilitates collaboration	professional activities, in a variety of contexts. Investigates, defines and resolves complex issues. Applies, facilitates and develops creative thinking concepts or finds innovative ways to approach a deliverable	information to both technical and non-technical audiences when engaging with colleagues, users/customers, suppliers and partners. • Selects appropriately from, and assesses the impact of change to applicable standards, methods, tools, applications and processes relevant to own specialism. • Demonstrates an awareness of risk and takes an analytical approach to work • Maximises the capabilities of applications for their role and evaluates and supports the use of new	industry bodies of knowledge and specialist bodies of knowledge as necessary. Has gained a thorough knowledge of the domain of the organisation. Is able to apply the knowledge effectively in unfamiliar situations and actively maintains own knowledge and shares with others. Rapidly absorbs and critically assesses new information and applies it effectively



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	processes to time and quality targets.	stakeholders who share common objectives. Participates in external activities related to own specialism.		Contributes specialist expertise to requirements definition in support of proposals. Shares knowledge and experience in own specialism to help others. Learning and professional development — maintains an awareness of developing practices and their application and takes responsibility for driving own development. Takes the initiative in identifying and negotiating their own and supporting team members' appropriate development opportunities. Contributes to the development of others. Security, privacy and ethics — fully understands the importance and application to own work and the operation of the organisation. Engages or works with specialists as necessary	
5.	Works under broad direction. Work is often self-initiated. Is fully responsible for	Influences organisation, customers, suppliers, partners and peers	Implements and executes policies aligned to strategic plans. Performs an	Demonstrates leadership in operational management.	Is fully familiar with recognised industry bodies of knowledge both



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Ensure, advise	meeting allocated technical and/or group objectives. Analyses, designs, plans, executes and evaluates work to time, cost and quality targets. Establishes milestones and has a significant role in the assignment of tasks and/or responsibilities.	on the contribution of own specialism. Makes decisions which impact the success of assigned work, i.e. results, deadlines and budget. Has significant influence over the allocation and management of resources appropriate to given assignments. Leads on user/customer and group collaboration throughout all stages of work. Ensures users' needs are met consistently through each work stage. Builds appropriate and effective business relationships across the organisation and with customers, suppliers and partners. Creates and supports collaborative ways of working across	extensive range and variety of complex technical and/or professional work activities. Undertakes work which requires the application of fundamental principles in a wide and often unpredictable range of contexts. Engages and coordinates with subject matter experts to resolve complex issues as they relate to customer/organisatio nal requirements. Understands the relationships between own specialism and customer/organisatio nal requirements.	Analyses requirements and advises on scope and options for continual operational improvement. Assesses and evaluates risk. Takes all requirements into account when making proposals. Shares own knowledge and experience and encourages learning and growth. Advises on available standards, methods, tools, applications and processes relevant to group specialism(s) and can make appropriate choices from alternatives. Understands and evaluates the organisational impact of new technologies and digital services. Creatively applies innovative thinking and design practices in identifying solutions that will deliver value for the benefit of the customer/stakeholder. Clearly demonstrates impactful communication skills (oral, written and	generic and specific, and knowledge of the business, suppliers, partners, competitors and clients. Develops a wider breadth of knowledge across the industry or business. Applies knowledge to help to define the standards which others will apply



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		responsibility. Facilitates collaboration between stakeholders who have diverse objectives.		presentation) in both formal and informal settings, articulating complex ideas to broad audiences. • Learning and professional development — takes initiative to advance own skills and identify and manage development opportunities in area of responsibility. • Security, privacy and ethics — proactively contributes to the implementation of appropriate working practices and culture.	
6.	Has defined authority and accountability for	Influences policy and strategy formation. Initiates	Contributes to the development and implementation of	 Demonstrates leadership in organisational management. Understands and 	Has developed business knowledge of the activities and
Initiate, influence	actions and decisions within a significant area of work, including technical, financial and quality aspects. Establishes organisational objectives and assigns responsibilities.	influential relationships with internal and external customers, suppliers and partners at senior management level, including industry leaders. Leads on collaboration with a diverse range of stakeholders across competing objectives within the organisation. Makes	policy and strategy. Performs highly complex work activities covering technical, financial and quality aspects. Has deep expertise in own specialism(s) and an understanding of its impact on the broader business and wider customer/ organisation.	communicates industry developments, and the role and impact of technology. Manages and mitigates organisational risk. Balances the requirements of proposals with the broader needs of the organisation. Promotes a learning and growth culture in their area of accountability. Leads on compliance with relevant legislation and the need	practices of own organisation and those of suppliers, partners, competitors and clients. Promotes the application of generic and specific bodies of knowledge in own organisation. Develops executive leadership skills and broadens and deepens their industry or business knowledge.



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	decisions which		for services, products and	_
	impact the		working practices to provide	
	achievement of		equal access and equal	
	organisational		opportunity to people with	
	objectives and		diverse	
	financial		abilities.	
	performance.		Identifies and endorses	
			opportunities to adopt new	
			technologies and digital	
			services.	
			Creatively applies a wide	
			range of innovative and/or	
			management principles to	
			realise business benefits aligned	
			to the organisational strategy.	
			Communicates authoritatively	
			at all levels across the	
			organisation to both technical	
			and non-technical audiences	
			articulating business objectives.	
			Learning and professional	
			development — takes the	
			initiative to advance own skills	
			and leads the development	
			of skills required in their area of	
			accountability.	
			 Security, privacy and ethics — 	
			takes a leading role in	
			promoting and ensuring	
			appropriate working practices	
			and culture throughout own	
			area of accountability and	
			collectively in the organisation.	



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7.	At the highest	Inspires the	Applies the highest	Has a full range of strategic	Has established a
	organisational level,	organisation, and	level of leadership to	management and	broad and deep
	has authority over all	influences	the formulation and	leadership skills.	business knowledge
	aspects of a	developments within	implementation of	Communicates the potential	including the activities
	significant area of	the industry at the	strategy. Performs	impact of emerging	and practices of own
	work, including	highest levels. Makes	extensive strategic	practices and technologies on	organisation and a
Set	policy formation and	decisions critical to	leadership in	organisations and	broad knowledge of
Strategy,	application. Is fully	organisational	delivering business	individuals and assesses the risks	those of suppliers,
inspire,	accountable for	success. Develops	value through vision,	of using or not using	partners, competitors
mobilise	actions taken and	long-term strategic	governance and	such practices and	and clients. Fosters a
	decisions made,	relationships with	executive	technologies.	culture to encourage
	both by self and	customers, partners,	management. Has a	Establishes governance to	the strategic
	others to whom	industry leaders and	deep understanding	address business risk.	application of generic
	responsibilities have	government. Collaborates with	of the industry and	Ensures proposals align with the strategic direction of	and specific bodies of
	been assigned.	leadership	the implications of emerging	the strategic direction of the organisation.	knowledge within their own area of
		stakeholders	technologies for the	Fosters a learning and growth	influence.
		ensuring alignment	wider business	culture across the	illiloerice.
		to corporate vision	environment.	organisation.	
		and strategy.		Assess the impact of legislation	
		and sharegy.		and actively promotes	
				compliance and inclusivity.	
				Advances the knowledge	
				and/or exploitation of	
				technology within one or more	
				organisations.	
				Champions creativity and	
				innovation in driving strategy	
				development to enable business	
				opportunities.	
				 Communicates persuasively 	
				and convincingly across	
				own organisation, industry and	
				government to	



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				audiences at all levels.	
				 Learning and professional 	
				development — ensures that	
				the organisation develops and	
				mobilises the full range	
				of required skills and capabilities.	
				 Security, privacy and ethics — 	
				provides clear direction	
				and strategic leadership for the	
				implementation	
				of working practices and culture	
				throughout the	
				organisation.	