

Have I Got Procurement News For You!

Issue 3

Welcome to October edition of Have I Got Procurement News For You. The newsletter will keep you up-to-date with all procurement news.

Aha! I hear the shouts of joy emanating across the trust as your regular fix of HIGPNFY is issued. We are biting our lips in anticipation of some up and coming awards, celebrating successes and generally being busy beavers. So here is a round up of our big ticket items, along with a few regular fixtures.

Is there anything specifically you would like to see in future editions? E-mail: procurementhelpdesk@elht.nhs.uk

New Starter

Q:How can the Procurement team get even more awesome?

A: Nigel Stoute

Nigel is a new team member who is due to start in the procurement team on 2nd November.

He is our new Senior Buyer for the ICG division here at the Trust, supporting these teams in their Procurement requirements.

We are all looking forward to welcoming Nigel to the department.

Knowing me, knowing Pugh...

Martyn Pugh

Martyn has worked within the NHS for almost 11 years and returned to the Procurement department here at ELHT, 14 months ago!

His principle role within the department is to oversee maintenance and service contracts for various areas within the Trust – a function that was previously outsourced and undertaken by Leaseguard.

If you have a question regarding maintenance, Martyn will be happy to help you and answer your query.

When not arranging maintenance, Martyn can often be found “treading the boards” at local theatres and has previously won a Best Actor award for his role as Alan Turing in “Breaking the Code”.

You can email Martyn on;
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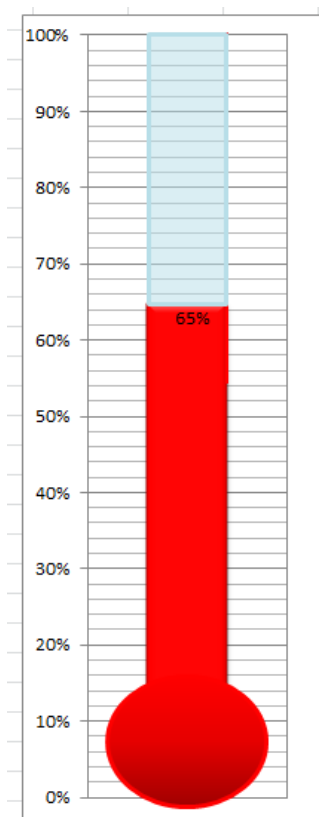
What is a Framework?

You will often hear Procurement talk about Frameworks, here is a quick overview of what they are and why we are obsessed with them.

- A procurement framework is an agreement put in place with a provider or range of providers that enables buyers to place orders for services or goods without running lengthy full tendering exercises or having to raise waivers
- Procurement framework agreements are OJEU compliant, removing the need to independently undertake a full European Union (OJEU) procurement process, as this has already been done as part of setting up the framework
- There are numerous organisations who undertake Procurement Frameworks which the Trust then use to obtain goods, examples of these groups are: North of England CPC, Health Trust Europe, SBS and Crown Commercial Services
- There are frameworks available for a huge variety of goods and services, including: temporary staff, furniture, IT systems, Orthopaedic implants and many more

SAVINGS

Total Savings achieved 2014/2015 £1,673,984.88



Savings 2015/2016

Annualised Target £2M

In year savings achieved to date (including legacy):

Estates & Facilities	£521,347.39
Corporate	£8,468.83
IT	£86,563.07
Finance	£2,784.32
SAS	£345,045.75
Family Care	£50,677.11
ICG	£168,505.13
DCS	£111,794.04
Total	£1,295,185.64

Materials Management



We are pleased to announce that following a recent trial of the service within the ICG Division we have been given approval to roll out the service within the Trust.

What is Materials Management?

Materials Management is essentially the process of a dedicated team of Procurement staff managing ward/department stock on behalf of clinical staff. Re-ordering, maintaining and replenishing stock through agreed stock levels which are set using historical spend data. The stock levels are set to hold an initial two weeks stock that is then topped up on a weekly basis, reducing stock holding and out of date stock, moving more towards a 'just in time' service.

Materials Management saves time and improves efficiencies by simplifying ordering through the use of hand-held barcode readers (similar to those seen in supermarkets), releasing valuable nursing time back to the patient. The direct link between data capture and ordering system reduces supply chain time, costs and ordering errors. It also saves money by reducing obsolescence, waste, stock holding and assists with (trust-wide) product standardisation and stock valuation.



The NHS in the North West
Excellence in Supply Awards
2015
FINALIST

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We have been very fortunate this year to have made it to the finalists round of the North West Procurement Development, Excellence in Supply awards.

The event promotes and celebrates private sector organisations working in partnership with the NHS to deliver high quality, effective and efficient patient care; helping the health service to do more for less.

As a department we have been nominated in the NHS Supplier engagement category by two of our suppliers: NHS Supply Chain and Recall Limited.

In addition to this, Lisa Grendall, Patient Environment Manager for the Trust has been nominated for the NHS Procurement Champion award.

From left to right representing the Trust at the award ceremony are Janet Harwood Rawcliffe, John Nelson, Lisa Grendall and Diane Mitton.



Staff Survey Feedback



Following a recent staff survey and feedback it has come to light that users are experiencing some issues that we would like to address in this and future newsletters

Masked Products in NHS Supply Chain—Concerns were raised regarding masked products appearing when searching the NHS Supply Chain catalogue, please see below screen shot which details how to hide masked products from the search.

Please note an enhancement has been made to the NHS Supply Chain online system which allows end users to tick a box and not view masked products, this enhancement will make searching for available products much speedier.

The screenshot shows the NHS Supply Chain website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Sign Out', '0 items', '€0.00', 'New order', 'My orders', 'Favourites', 'Masking', 'Admin', 'Quick links', and 'My details'. Below this, the user's name 'Janet Rawcliffe' and trust information 'KA/RUN East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust' are displayed. A checkbox labeled 'Hide masked products from search' is visible in the top right corner, with a red arrow pointing to it from the text above. The main content area features a 'Welcome to our new Online Catalogue and Ordering system' message, a 'Sign in' button, and a 'View Website Guide' button. The interface also includes a search bar and a navigation menu with categories like 'Home', 'News', 'Product news', 'Product areas', 'Capital', 'Suppliers', 'Services', 'About us', 'Events', 'Contact us', and 'Customer service'.

If you have any further questions around NHS Supply Chain ordering please use the following contacts:

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Next Time : Issue 4 will cover: Agency Staffing, The Basware System and Invoices and much more

Contacts

All our extension numbers and email addresses can be found here: http://elpd.elht.nhs.uk/more_info.asp?current_id=86

All our templates and downloads can be found here: http://elpd.elht.nhs.uk/more_info.asp?current_id=89