



Welcome

Welcome to this week's newsletter

Government Opportunities (GO) Excellence in Public Procurement Awards 2008 - Finalists Announced

Following intense consideration from the *Government Opportunities (GO) Excellence in Public Procurement Awards 2008* judging panel, the entries that will be the finalists in each category have been decided. With award categories covering Sustainability, Collaborative Procurement, Improved Delivery Through Greater Third Sector Involvement, Best Service, Best Small Supplier Innovation, Young Procurement Professional, Individual Excellence and Team Excellence, competition has been fierce, and only the very best nominations have achieved finalist status.

The finalists in the 2008 GO Awards are:

Category – GO Sustainability Award

Central Services Agency Regional Supplies Service
Exeter City Council
London Borough of Camden
NHS Yorkshire and the Humber Commercial Procurement
Collaborative Waste Information Network

Category – GO Collaborative Procurement Award

Healthcare Purchasing Consortium
London Development Agency
NHS re:source Collaborative Procurement Hub
North West Collaborative Procurement Hub
Partners in Parking
Pro5

Category – GO Award for Improved Delivery Through Greater Third Sector Involvement

Birmingham City Council
City of Westminster
Dorset County Council, Local Food Links Ltd
Dorset County Council, Partnership for Old People
Southwark Reach, Floating Support Service

Category – GO Best Service Award

Bow House Ltd/Hampshire County Council
BSS/Legal Services Commission
FM Conway/London Borough of Lambeth
JanetUK/PageOne
Pearl Linguistics Ltd/INTRAN Partnership
Southwark Reach, Floating Support Service/Thames Reach

Category – GO Best Small Supplier Innovation Award

ADR International/PRO-CURE NHS Collaborative Procurement Hub
BHP Information Solutions/East Midlands Development Agency
Polar Windows (Chesterfield) Ltd/Chesterfield Royal Hospital NHS
Foundation Trust
Print Image Network Ltd/Hertsmere Borough Council
Stellex Ltd/Fife Council
XOR Ltd/Department for Work and Pensions, Jobcentre Plus

Category – GO Young Procurement Professional Award

Abi Bouch, Cumbria County Council
Katie Evans, Healthcare Purchasing Consortium
Tina Harrington, Training and Development Agency for Schools
Amy Richards, Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council
Clemmie Sheppard, Office of Government Commerce

Category – GO Individual Excellence Award

Martin Blake, London Probation
Sean Hinchcliffe, City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council
Joanne Irving, Office of Government Commerce
Andy Kordiak, University of Edinburgh
Claude Lewis, Healthcare Purchasing Consortium

Category – GO Team Excellence Award

Bedfordshire County Council
Department for Work and Pensions, Commercial Directorate
eProcurement Scotl@nd, Scottish Government
London Probation
NHS re:source Collaborative Procurement Hub
Peninsula Purchasing and Supply Alliance, PPSA Packs Team

Please note that all entrants for the coveted GO Lifetime Achievement Award will be notified by letter of the outcome of the judging process.

If you have any questions regarding the GO Awards which are held in conjunction with National Public Procurement Practitioners Day (N3PD) please contact Shellie Toal on 0141 270 7327 or email shellie.toal@goawards.co.uk

News

Patients give Christie top marks in survey

The Christie Hospital in Manchester has received top marks from patients for its treatment and care. [More...](#)

New Director to take up post at Doncaster and Bassetlaw Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Kevin Turner takes up his appointment as Doncaster and Bassetlaw Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust's new Director of Finance and Information. Mr Turner joins from North Lincolnshire and Goole Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, where he has been Director of Finance, Information and Performance Management since 2001. [More...](#)

Waiting times for scans fall to record low

Health Minister Edwina Hart has congratulated NHS staff across Wales for their hard work in further reducing the time patients wait for diagnostic and therapy services. [More...](#)

New legislation to support Next Stage Review published

A new NHS Reform Bill to help deliver improved, more personalised care for millions of patients has been included in the Government's draft legislative programme, which was recently published. [More...](#)

Hundreds of stroke patients benefit from lifesaving service

Over 300 stroke patients have benefited from a lifesaving service launched at Nottingham University Hospitals a year ago. [More...](#)

News can be read at: <http://www.healthcaresupply.org.uk>

This Week's Reports

[The National Service Framework for Long-term Neurological Conditions: National support for local implementation 2008](#)

This document gives an overview of resources, tools and initiatives that are available to support local implementation of the national service framework for long-term neurological conditions.

[Code of Practice: Mental Health Act 1983](#)

This revised code of practice provides guidance to registered medical practitioners, approved clinicians, managers and staff of hospitals and approved mental health professionals on how they should proceed when undertaking duties under the Mental Health Act 1983.

[Professional Letter: Introduction of human papillomavirus vaccine into the national immunisation programme](#)

This letter from the Chief Medical Officer, the Chief Nursing Officer and the Chief Pharmaceutical Officer provides information about the introduction of human papillomavirus vaccine into the national

immunisation programme.

Reports can be found at:

<http://www.healthcaresupply.org.uk/reports/>

Events

Health Care Supply Association Conference and Exhibition 2008

World Class - Are We Capable? Meeting the Procurement and Commissioning Challenge

6-7 November - The Belfry, Sutton Coldfield

This will be the Association's 38th Annual Conference. Once again we have created a stimulating and topical event designed specifically for purchasing and supply professionals involved in the support of health care. Every year the high-quality debate on key issues attracts a capacity audience of members, other healthcare professionals and representatives of major supply companies from across the UK, and this year will be no exception.

Speakers include:

- Professor Christine Harland, President, Health Care Supply Association
- Gary Belfield, Director of Primary Care, Department of Health
- Roger West, Procurement Director, NHS Supply Chain
- Gerry Hay, Chair of the Continence Group within the Absorbent Hygiene Products Manufacturers Association
- John Cooper, Chief Operating Officer, NHS PASA
- Andrew Cash, Chief Executive, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
- Simon Sperryn, Chief Executive, Chartered Institute of Purchasing & Supply
- Andrew Douglas, Visiting Professor, Bristol Business School, University of the West of England

The Association is also delighted to announce that we have secured Motivational Speaker of the Year 2007 Steve McDermott as our 2008 guest speaker.

We hope that you, as a member of the Association, will support this event and take advantage of the opportunity to meet with your colleagues from around the country and explore the issues affecting healthcare purchasing.

For more information, or to book, please click [here](#)

Update your diary by visiting

<http://www.healthcaresupply.org.uk/events/index.htm>

Discussion Forum

Do you have a burning issue or a hot topic that you wish to share with members? Then why not post it on the Discussion Forum in the members area of the website.

To read the current topics, or to begin your own discussions, visit the Health Care Supply Association Discussion Forum by clicking [here](#)

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