



Welcome

Welcome to this week's newsletter

Health Care Supply Association Annual Conference and Exhibition 2009

4-5 November - Hilton Deansgate, Manchester

This year's Health Care Supply Association Annual Conference and Exhibition promises to be the best yet!

This event is for individuals and organisations who have an interest in the supply of goods or the commissioning of services in the health care sector. Attendance is open to both members and non-members of the Association, including those who commission, buy or supply. This conference will be of interest to companies who supply to public, private or third sector health care organisations.

We are delighted to have assembled speakers of the highest calibre. Our speakers will provide delegates with a unique opportunity to discuss and understand all the latest thinking across the health care sector, particularly in commissioning, health care purchasing and supply strategy and performance.

Every year the sessions provoke high-quality debate on the key issues of the day, attracting a capacity audience of delegates from throughout the UK, and this year will be no exception. Apart from the formal sessions, there will also be opportunities to visit the exhibition and engage in informal networking with colleagues from across the health care spectrum in an impressive and prestigious venue.

Among the delegates this year will be those involved in leading and working within the main organisations engaged in health care procurement in the NHS in England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Do not miss the opportunity to be involved in this stimulating and topical event designed specifically for health care procurement professionals and commissioners.

To book your place, please click [here](#)

News

Maternity services in Wales are satisfactory

Most women are satisfied with maternity care in Wales with services generally meeting an appropriate standard, says a report published by the Auditor General. [More...](#)

Morgan Ashurst wins £3.2 million Cardiff hospital extension

job

Morgan Ashurst has won a £3.2 million contract to build an extension at Velindre Hospital in Cardiff, which will include bunkers to house new radiotherapy machines. [More...](#)

Appointment of new Non Executive Director to Trust's Board of Directors

James Paget University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust in Great Yarmouth has appointed Dr Michael Field to the Board as a Non Executive Director. [More...](#)

Clinical Excellence in the form of a database

An exciting new innovation has recently gone live across the four counties served by the South Western Ambulance Service; Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly, Devon, Dorset and Somerset. [More...](#)

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

This Week's Reports

[Tackling Health Inequalities: Targeting routine and manual smokers in support of the public service agreement on smoking prevalence and health inequality targets](#)

This guidance supports the achievement of the public service agreement on smoking prevalence and health inequality targets for 2010. It provides Primary Care Trusts and local authorities with a firm rationale as to why targeting routine and manual smokers will in turn help reduce smoking prevalence.

[Department of Health: Departmental Board annual report 2008-09](#)

This document provides an overview of business conducted by the Departmental Board during the financial year 2008-09.

[General Ophthalmic Services: Payments for continuing education and training](#)

The Department of Health has agreed with the optical profession and the British Medical Association that a payment should be made in respect of loss of earnings associated with continuing education and training. This letter gives more information.

Reports can be found at:

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

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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