



Welcome

Welcome to this week's newsletter

Annual General Meeting

Members of the Health Care Supply Association are hereby formally notified that the Association's Annual General Meeting will be held at 17.45 on Thursday 6 November 2008 in the Woodlands Suite, The Belfry, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands.

The agenda and other papers can be located on the Association's website. To view please click [here](#)

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Health Care Supply Association Annual Survey 2008

To ensure that the Association receives your feedback on their continuous development, we are delighted to announce the 2008 Annual Members Survey. To ensure that your voice is heard please complete this online survey as accurately as possible.

The survey will be open until 11 November. After that time, we will announce the names of the three lucky respondees who will each receive £25 worth of Marks & Spencer vouchers.

To go to the survey now, please click [here](#)

If you are having problems accessing the survey please email helpdesk@healthcaresupply.org.uk

News

Future plans for Rushden Hospital go on display

Proposals for the redevelopment of Rushden Hospital go on display in November at the Rushden site. [More...](#)

Debate on health services in the North East continues

Local stakeholders, including local authorities and patient representatives, met yesterday to hear from West Sussex Primary Care Trust and local NHS hospital trusts on how the local NHS would cope with the increase in population over the next 20 years. [More...](#)

Consultation on GP quality incentive scheme launched

Delivering the best possible care for patients and addressing health

inequalities will be at the heart of proposed changes to the GP quality incentive scheme, the Quality and Outcomes Framework (QOF), Health Minister Ben Bradshaw has announced. [More...](#)

Paul Williams to lead NHS Wales through restructuring

Following the announcement by the Welsh Assembly Government, Paul Williams, Chief Executive of ABM University NHS Trust paid tribute to Ann Lloyd, who is retiring. [More...](#)

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

This Week's Reports

[Mental Capacity Act 2005: Deprivation of liberty safeguards - Draft standard forms](#)

These forms will help facilitate best practice, training and preparation in advance the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards coming into effect in April 2009.

[Improving Cleanliness and Infection Control: From deep clean to keep clean - Learning from the deep clean programme](#)

This letter announces the publication of a compendium of good practice examples from the national deep clean initiative and clarifies expectations for deep cleaning in the future.

[A Guide to Patient and Public Involvement in Urgent Care](#)

This guide for commissioners and providers provides a step-by-step process to implement an effective system of patient and public involvement in urgent care.

Reports can be found at:

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

Events

[Health Care Supply Association Annual Conference and Exhibition 2008](#)

6-7 November 2008 - The Belfry, Sutton Coldfield

Attendance is open to both members and non-members of the Association, including those who commission, buy or supply to other health care professionals, and to companies who supply to the health care sector.

We are delighted to have Steve McDermott, Motivational Speaker of the Year 2007, as one of our speakers. Our other speakers are also of the highest calibre and will provide delegates with a unique chance to discuss and understand the key issues that affect us all.

Every year the sessions provoke high-quality debate on key issues, attracting a capacity audience of delegates from across 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 a world-famous venue.

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

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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