



Welcome

Welcome to this week's newsletter

Calling all Scottish health care professionals

Following on from the recent success of the National *Government Opportunities (GO)* Excellence in Public Procurement Awards 2009, we are delighted to announce the second annual *GO Awards Scotland*. The Awards aim to recognise excellence within procurement in Scotland, and the benefits to the wider business and social community that smart, effective and sustainable purchasing can deliver.

Scotland has a thriving business community and a forward-thinking approach to public procurement. Public sector spending on goods and services across Scotland is estimated to be £8 billion per annum, with an estimated £1 billion relating to 'Category A' common goods and services, as currently defined.

The time has come once again to recognise the achievements and celebrate the success of all those across the public, private and third sectors who strive to make a difference to the Scottish economy.

GO Awards Scotland is welcoming nominations in eight categories. They are:

- [GO Sustainability Award](#)
- [GO Corporate Social Responsibility Award](#)
- [GO Healthcare Supplier Award](#)
- [GO Best Service Award](#)
- [GO / John F McClelland Collaborative Procurement Award](#)
- [GO Individual Excellence Award](#)
- [GO Team Excellence Award](#)
- [GO Outstanding Contribution Award](#)

The deadline for submissions is 7 September and the winners will be announced on 28 October at a ceremony to be held on the first evening of Procurex Scotland 2009 - Scotland's only national procurement conference and exhibition.

For more information on the Awards, or to request a nomination form, click [here](#)

News

Nottingham intensive care consultant to head national society

A Nottingham hospitals consultant has been appointed President of

the Intensive Care Society, the national body that represents intensive care professionals and patients in the UK. [More...](#)

Mike Collier appointed as new Chairman of Leeds Teaching Hospitals

A new Chairman, Mike Collier, has been appointed to lead one of the country's largest hospital trusts Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust. [More...](#)

Manchester cancer experts begin research on tissue samples

Experts in Manchester are to begin research for the very first time on a bank of high-quality tissue from cancer patients across the county, with the aim of improving the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of the disease. [More...](#)

Chief Executive of Public Health Wales appointed

The Welsh Assembly Government has announced the appointment of Bob Hudson as the Chief Executive of the newly constituted Public Health Wales NHS Trust. Mr Hudson is currently the Director of Strategy and Planning for the Health and Social Services Directorate General at the Welsh Assembly Government, having joined in 2003 as Regional Director for South East Wales Regional Office for the Department for Health and Social Services. [More...](#)

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

Events

[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 a must 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. The conference will also 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 for this year's event. 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](#)

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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