



Health Care Supply Association

MEMBER NEWS

Welcome

Welcome to this week's newsletter

Government Opportunities (GO) Magazine

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News

Scottish prescription charges to fall

Prescription charges for patients throughout Scotland are set to fall from £4 to £3 from April, if the Scottish Parliament approves regulations expected to be proposed. [More...](#)

Welsh Health Minister announces funding for New Pathways' Centre of Excellence in Merthyr

Welsh Health Minister Edwina Hart has announced a capital grant of £93,050 for New Pathways, a charity that provides rape and sexual abuse victim support services throughout South Wales. [More...](#)

Department of Health Appoints Clinical Director for Informatics

Charles Gutteridge has been the Medical Director at Barts and the London Trust since 2002 as well as a consultant haematologist both there and at Newham General Hospital. He is a fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and the Royal College of Pathologists. [More...](#)

New website to offer Welsh patients access to their medical records

Welsh Health Minister Edwina Hart has announced £1.7 million of funding for a new website which will allow patients to check their medical records at the click of a mouse. [More...](#)

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

This Week's Reports

Public Sector Responses to Recession and Public Expenditure Reductions

John Tizard, Director, Centre for Public Service Partnerships and Member of BiP Solutions' Strategic Advisory Board gives his thoughts on the recession and public expenditure reductions. Within this PowerPoint presentation he shares his opinions on the main party approaches to expenditure and the impact this will have on local and central government procurement.

Reports can be found at:

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

Events

Procurex National - make a resolution to improve your procurement knowledge

9-10 March 2010, National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham

A new year brings new challenges. With the revised EU Remedies Directive taking effect, buyers across all roles are facing more scrutiny than ever. In 2010, make a resolution to improve your current procurement practices - discover how at Procurex National.

Procurex National will feature over 60 procurement training workshops, a supplier and buyer exhibition as well as a conference featuring high-profile speakers, all completely free of charge. Training workshops will focus on the hottest topics, including the EU Remedies Directive, debriefing suppliers and running frameworks compliantly.

This year, make a resolution to build your procurement knowledge, network and discover new suppliers.

Register free today by clicking [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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