



Welcome

Welcome to this week's newsletter

Health Care Supply Association Lifetime Achievement Award

The Health Care Supply Association would like to congratulate Paul Butterfield, Director of Healthcare Contracting, for receiving the Health Care Supply Association Lifetime Achievement Award 2009.

Paul was honoured at this year's Health Care Supply Association Gala Dinner, which was held on the first evening of the Annual Conference and Exhibition.

The Association believes that, while personal financial rewards are clear motivational factors in improving performance, peer recognition is also a strong motivator. The Lifetime Achievement Award recognises an individual who has had an extensive career in the health care purchasing and supply function, and who has made an exceptional contribution to the industry. This includes an individual who:

- has been at the forefront of strategic change
- has made a significant contribution to the health care supply profession
- has significantly raised the profile of the profession, or their organisation(s)
- has performed their role (strategic or operational) to a level of excellence and with dedication, enthusiasm and professionalism, over a number of years, directly or indirectly supporting colleagues to deliver frontline patient care

Congratulations must go to Paul again for winning such an important accolade.

News

RCN welcomes Boorman Review

The Royal College of Nursing welcomes the government's commitment to introduce and provide funding for better preventative measures to improve the health and well-being of NHS staff. [More...](#)

Board level reappointments confirmed at NHS Darlington

Three board level appointments have been made at NHS Darlington. John Flook has been reappointed as Audit Chair, while Linda Marks and Melanie Pears have both been reappointed as Non-Executive Directors. [More...](#)

Plans for new hospital continue to move forward

Despite the credit crunch, plans for the development of a new state-of-the-art hospital at Watford are moving ahead, and the project is attracting significant market interest. [More...](#)

£2 million for research into expanding the role of NHS Direct

The way NHS Direct assists people with long-term health conditions could be transformed thanks to a £2 million grant awarded by the National Institute for Health Research to medical experts at the University of Bristol. [More...](#)

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

This Week's Reports

[NHS Health and Well-being Review](#)

These are the final documents of an independent review into NHS staff health and well-being. They include the final report, the Secretary of State's response to the recommendations and a proposed action plan for the department and the NHS.

[Allied Health Professionals Data Collection](#)

This letter explains how the department is working with the NHS to support the delivery of its commitment to mandating the collection of data on referral to treatment times for services provided by allied health professionals to enable timely access to quality services for patients.

[Real Accountability: Guidance on the NHS duty to report on consultation](#)

New legislation will come into force in April 2010 that will require all primary care trusts and strategic health authorities that commission services to explain how they have acted upon feedback from patients and the public. This guidance explains the legal obligations and provides practical help and advice in terms of preparing and publishing reports.

Reports can be found at:

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

Events

[Procurex National 2010](#)

9-10 March 2010, NEC, Birmingham

Register by 18 December for your chance to win free PASS training

Not yet registered for Procurex National? Be sure to take advantage of the event's early bird offer - register by 18 December and you will be entered into a free prize draw to win one of ten places on a Procurement Advice and Support Service (PASS) training seminar course of your choice, worth nearly £300.

Procurex National is a free two-day event for public sector buyers.

With two skills training zones and a supplier exhibition, Procurex National is your chance to build your knowledge, access new markets and connect with the wider procurement community.

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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