



## Welcome

**Welcome to this week's newsletter**

### **Membership details - update**

Have you checked your contact details on the Association website recently?

To check and amend your details, click on the 'update your details' link on the members' homepage or click [here](#).

## News

### **NHS Staff Survey results are best ever**

There have been a record number of improvements in the 2009 annual NHS Staff Survey, Health Minister Ann Keen has announced. [More...](#)

### **New Chief Executive appointed**

Hinchingbrooke Health Care NHS Trust has announced the appointment of its new Chief Executive, following the decision of Mark Millar to leave the Trust at the end of his secondment. [More...](#)

### **Report calls for greater investment in Welsh mental health promotion**

A new report commissioned by the All Wales Mental Health Promotion Network estimates the overall cost of mental health problems in Wales at £7.2bn a year. [More...](#)

### **A fifth award for Glasgows New Stobhill Hospital**

The multi-award winning New Stobhill Hospital has been recognised yet again in a prestigious national competition. [More...](#)

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

## This Week's Reports

### **[Advancing Health: Examples of the work of the Chief Medical Officer for England, 1998-2010](#)**

This report summarises Sir Liam Donaldson's work during his time as Chief Medical Officer. It gives an overview of the Chief Medical Officer's role and describes some of the advances that have been made during Sir Liam's term in office.

### **[Guidance on the Attribution of NHS Non-commercial Research](#)**

### **Costs, Support Costs and Treatment Costs**

This document clarifies the distinction between the three categories of costs associated with non-commercial research studies.

### **Department of Health: The week**

The week is a bulletin published by the Department of Health every Thursday. It provides news, consultations and events for chief executives in the NHS and local authorities and their teams. It gives links to more information and resources, highlighting areas for action.

### **Reports can be found at:**

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

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## Events

### **National Government Opportunities (GO) Excellence in Public Procurement Awards 2010-11**

The National GO Excellence in Public Procurement Awards recognise the critical role that procurement plays within the delivery of effective and efficient public services, and for the past eight years have been the benchmark by which innovation, quality and achievement in this sector have been measured. The 2010-11 Awards provide all types of organisation - public, private and third sector - with a platform to promote and share best practice and highlight the initiatives that are making a real difference.

To reflect the ever-changing procurement landscape, we have made a number of alterations to the categories and entry criteria for 2010-11. Categories open to the public sector are:

#### **GO Sustainability Initiative of the Year Award**

This Award recognises the pivotal role that public procurement can play in ensuring a more sustainable future for society. It recognises the transition that sustainability issues have made from being a secondary concern to now being centre-stage.

#### **GO Corporate Social Responsibility and Community Benefit in Procurement Award**

This Award recognises those organisations which have done more than most to incorporate CSR and Community Benefit in Procurement (CBiP) thinking into their procurement activities, ensuring a deeper, longer-lasting and wider spread of benefit than may otherwise have been achieved.

#### **GO Collaborative Procurement Initiative of the Year Award**

The GO Collaborative Procurement Initiative of the Year Award recognises the vital role that collaboration will play in the future, and showcases the very best examples of this practice from across the entire public sector. Appreciating the diverse nature of collaborative procurement, this Award has three sub-categories to encourage entries from Health Procurement Hubs, Public Sector Consortia and

other organisations.

### [GO Innovation or Initiative of the Year Award](#)

The GO Innovation or Initiative of the Year Award brings creativity and imagination to the fore; celebrating concepts that have made a genuine difference within the procurement sector. The innovation or initiative can come from any quarter, and can be of any scale; but it must be a genuine advancement, and must be compliant with existing procurement legislation.

### [GO Best Supplier Engagement Initiative Award](#)

Supplier engagement is high on the public procurement agenda, and this Award recognises those public or third sector organisations which are leading the way in engaging effectively and productively with their supply base. Initiatives can be of any scale or type - the focus of this Award is on the effectiveness and demonstrable benefit that has arisen as a result of the initiative; both to the supply chain and to end-users.

### [GO Individual of the Year Award](#)

The GO Individual of the Year Award recognises the individual efforts of a procurement professional, and the positive impact that their involvement has had upon a particular procurement exercise or project. The Award recognises that, while successful procurement is delivered by teams, the motivation, imagination and determination of individuals within a team is critical to a successful outcome.

### [GO Team of the Year Award](#)

Team working is pivotal to the success of public procurement, and the GO Team of the Year Award recognises the power and potential of a focused and unified approach to procurement initiatives. Teams can be based within one organisation or spread over multiple organisations, but they must comprise of individuals working towards the same objective or goal. Above all, this Award recognises communication, collaboration and the additional value that teamwork can create.

### [GO Lifetime Achievement Award](#)

The GO Lifetime Achievement Award is a special recognition for those who have dedicated the majority of their career to advancing public procurement. As such, it is not an Award that is given lightly, or even at all if it is felt there is no candidate significantly deserving of it.

The updated website also includes GO Awards FAQs, which contains advice on how to submit a strong entry and improve your chances of success.

The deadline for entries is 16 April 2010, and any queries relating to the GO Awards should be sent to Shellie Toal at [shellie.toal@goawards.co.uk](mailto:shellie.toal@goawards.co.uk) or via telephone on 0141 270 7327.

<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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