

Trust Board Meeting: Wednesday 12 March 2014

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Title	Procurement Strategy for Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust
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Status	For approval
History	The Procurement Strategy was approved by Trust Management Executive (TME) on 13 February 2014 (<u>Paper</u> : TME2014.46 <u>Minute</u> : TME2014.02A/19)

Board Lead(s)	Mr Mark Mansfield, Director of Finance and Procurement			
Key purpose	Strategy	Assurance	Policy	Performance

Executive Summary

1. Trust Management Executive (TME) approved the draft procurement strategy for the Trust at its meeting on 13 February 2014. (Paragraph 3.1, Appendix D)
2. This document is an important element of the Trust's financial and business policy infrastructure and responds to a number of national initiatives in this area. (Paragraphs 2.1 and 2.2 and Appendices A, B and C).
3. Recommendation The Trust Board is asked to support the strategy contained in Appendix D to this report (Paragraph 4.1).

A Procurement Strategy for Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust

1. Introduction

1.1. This paper outlines a proposed Procurement Strategy for the Trust.

2. Background

2.1. The Department of Health and its management agencies have, for some time, sought to bring focus to the delivery of a strategy for procurement in the NHS. The most recent policy initiative “Better Procurement, Better Value, Better Care”, was published in August 2013 and comprises Appendix B to this report.

2.2. Since the publication of “Better Procurement, Better Value, Better Care” further guidance has been issued to support the policy document, notably a letter from the Minister for Health and the Chief Executive of NHS Trust Development Authority (attached here as Appendix A) and an NHS Procurement Dashboard (which comprises Appendix C to this report).

2.3. “Better Procurement, Better Value, Better Care” outlined an ambition for the NHS that provider organisations should deliver savings of £1.5b - £2.0b from procurement in the period from 1 April 2014 to March 2016.

3. Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust Strategy

3.1. Appendix D contains the Trust Procurement Strategy which was approved by Trust Management Executive (TME) on 13 February. TME recommended this document to the Board at that meeting.

3.2. The Trust Strategy consists of a work programme and a series of objectives which are summarised in a fifty-three point action plan. (Please see “Annex A” to Appendix D.)

4. Recommendation

4.1 The Board is asked to support the Strategy contained in Appendix D to this report.

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Director of Finance and Procurement

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