

Healthlogistics awarded Approved Supplier status for Catalogue and Exchange solutions in NHS Trusts

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Tring, UK - 30th May 2012. Healthlogistics (<http://www.healthlogistics.co.uk>) (www.healthlogistics.co.uk) today announces its successful selection onto the National eCommerce Framework Agreement (<http://www.healthlogistics.co.uk/>), led by Northumbria Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust, as an approved supplier of Catalogue and Exchange solutions to the NHS.

Trusts considering online procurement can be reassured that Healthlogistics (<http://www.healthlogistics.co.uk/>) is approved to deliver quality, scalable procurement solutions that directly address the Department of Health's QIPP target of achieving £1.2bn savings in non-pay spend.

Having a national Framework Agreement in place, Trusts can via Further Competition, contract directly with Healthlogistics, without undergoing an OJEU tender process, so they can start to achieve genuine cash-releasing savings earlier.

The eCommerce evaluation process comprised of a pre-qualification questionnaire followed by an Invitation to Tender phase, where shortlisted candidates demonstrated their ability to offer catalogue, exchange or spend analysis solutions.

Healthlogistics has successfully implemented its HL-hybris eCat service in 20 acute Trusts and Foundation Trusts, half of which have so far committed to adopting its eConnect exchange service in 2012. These Trusts are already realising the benefits that effective eProcurement services can bring to their supply chain through eCat. Now with eConnect's e-ordering and eInvoicing, linked to eCat's validated descriptions and contract prices, business processes are more streamlined and contract compliance significantly increased.

Healthlogistics' services operate on HL-hybris, which is based on the proven global multichannel eCommerce technology of hybris GmbH.

Commenting on the award, Peter Elwin, Operations Director of Healthlogistics: 'We are particularly pleased that both eCat and eConnect are now approved for use in any NHS Trust, subject to local evaluation, and we look forward to implementing these ground-breaking solutions in as many Trusts as possible'.

Tony White, Procurement Director at Sheffield Teaching Hospitals: 'As a leading Foundation Trust we are already collaborating with Healthlogistics to develop our electronic trading capability. Now that they are an approved supplier of catalogue and exchange services for the NHS, as well as being an Accredited GS1 UK Solution Partner, we look forward to seeing how Trust take-up progresses during 2012.'

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About Healthlogistics.co.uk Ltd (<http://www.healthlogistics.co.uk/>) (<http://www.healthlogistics.co.uk/>)

Healthlogistics was established in 2003 and specialises in the provision of integrated eProcurement services to the NHS and private healthcare sector. It offers web-based product information and contract management solutions that are best-of-breed, suitable for the NHS and the supplier community and are highly cost-effective. The company is a Solution Partner of GS1 UK and has GS1 Accreditation in both bar codes and eCommerce.