

Environmental and Sustainability Management Policy

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ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY MANAGEMENT POLICY

South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust (*‘the Trust’*), believes that environmental management is part of Corporate Governance and is inseparable from all other objectives.

The Trust recognises that the environment is an important factor in the health of the nation. Systematic management of environmental risks is an integral part of healthcare service delivery.

The Trust is committed to providing the resources and support systems for the Environmental and Sustainability Management Strategy, in order to promote quality care, provide a safe environment, and protect the local and global environment for patients, staff, visitors and others affected by the activities of the Trust.

The Trust has documented, implemented and maintains an environmental management system that meets the requirements of BS EN ISO14001:2004. This management system policy provides the overarching framework for the Trust’s waste, energy and carbon, transport and biodiversity policies and aims to achieve and demonstrate the following:

Legal Compliance

The Trust will:

- Comply with environmental laws, regulations and other requirements, and ensure consents and licences are maintained.

Prevention of Pollution

The Trust will:

- Commit to prevent pollution and minimise the effects of pollution on the environment from our activities
- Consider environmental performance of suppliers and subcontractors during the procurement evaluation process
- Implement operational control of processes involving environmental aspects, based on the environmental aspects register

Continual Improvement

The Trust will:

- Implement environmental programmes to achieve continual improvement in line with the expectations of society, reflected by the objectives and targets set by the government and the Trust to meet its international commitments
- Achieve local objectives and targets, based on the priorities in the environmental aspects register
- Test the effectiveness of the Trust’s environmental and sustainability procedures via its internal audit programme
- Ensure that the Environmental and Sustainability Management Policy is communicated on notice-boards, intranet and website to persons working for and on behalf of the Trust

- Ensure that this Environmental and Sustainability Management Policy is available to the public; by posting this policy and a brief verified annual report of environmental and sustainability performance, non-compliances and future targets
- Consult its stakeholders and collaborate with relevant organisations
- Identify environmental costs and ring fence savings for re-investment

The Trust is committed to the implementation of this policy and will review progress on a quarterly basis.

Impact Assessment Summary

To be completed and attached to any procedural document when submitted to the

appropriate committee for consideration and approval.

Yes/No Comments

1. Does the policy/guidance affect one group less or more favourably than another on the basis of:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Race | No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ethnic origins (including gypsies and travellers) | No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nationality | No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gender | No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Culture | No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Religion or belief | No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sexual orientation including lesbian, gay and bisexual people | No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Age | No |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Disability - learning disabilities, physical disability, sensory impairment and mental health problems | No |

2. Is there any evidence that some groups are affected differently?

No

3. If you have identified potential discrimination, are any exceptions valid, legal and/or justifiable?

No

4. Is the impact of the policy/guidance likely to be negative?

No

5. If so can the impact be avoided?

No

6. What alternatives are there to achieving the policy/guidance without the impact?

None

7. Can we reduce the impact by taking different action?

No

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Date: 4th October 2010

If you have identified a potential discriminatory impact of this procedural document, please, also include the full Equality Impact Assessment that was carried out at the beginning of policy development and any associated documentation.