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COVID-19: Update

Supporting our members

The **Estates, Facilities & Professional Services** team are launching a [new minor works and maintenance DPS](#) to help trusts tackle their backlog maintenance lists. Categories are being released in waves to manage the on-boarding process as this new agreement will be managed in-house. Wave one is currently open for applications from suppliers and is scheduled to go live in early June. If you are interested in learning more or would like us to invite specific suppliers to apply please contact LPPEFPS@lpp.nhs.uk. In addition, law firms continue to offer free resources during the COVID-19 pandemic. Ward Hadaway is offering [two free webinars](#) on the topic of PFI at 10am on both Friday 22nd and Thursday 28th.

The **Medicines Optimisation and Pharmacy Procurement** team continue to lead on assuring supply across London for haemofiltration fluids and ancillaries used in intensive care and are working in collaboration with pharmacy and procurement departments to ensure stock is available and ordered.

The **Workforce** team in partnership with the Workforce Alliance have shared information highlighting how frameworks can support trusts with [quick, safe recruitment of clinical staff](#). The team continue working with the Workforce Alliance and suppliers to understand regional demand - trusts experiencing recruitment issues in their area are encouraged to get in touch for support on lppworkforcesupport@lpp.nhs.uk. The Workforce team are also working on the re-procurement of the new clinical staffing framework which will be available in the summer and will further support trusts to meet staffing needs as efficiently as possible as the COVID-19 response evolves.

Transitioning through COVID-19

The NHS LPP **Consultancy** team is available to support trusts to adjust to the changing environment as the COVID-19 pandemic evolves. Tailored solutions can be provided in a range of areas to help trusts as they restart and reset services including: organisational design, work planning and returning to operational readiness, estates and financial planning and procurement functions such as contract and supply chain management. The team of consultancy specialists can provide strategic advice and services to trusts at a fraction of the cost of the private sector, with the added advantage of expertise of the health landscape and the NHS LPP business intelligence. For more information contact customer@lpp.nhs.uk



Our work with suppliers

We have received almost 300 resilience and mitigation plans from suppliers and we will be doing another follow up to gather more. The plans are available to members by going to [my.lpp](#) and selecting the category '**COVID-19 supplier resilience plans**'.

Of these suppliers, NHS LPP also sought more information for members from [100 identified critical suppliers](#). More than 78 have responded with detailed answers, which can be found by going to [my.lpp](#) and selecting the category '**Critical Supplier Q&A**'.

We have also compiled a [useful list of contacts](#) giving information on where to signpost suppliers offering PPE, ventilators and other essential services. Please note that some information may change rapidly – our team will make every effort to ensure this list is kept as up to date as possible.

The NHS LPP team have been made aware of a list of over [300 offers of support](#) to the NHS compiled by the London Covid Offers Management Team based at NHS England and NHS Improvement. Examples of offers include space for business operations or storage, transport and delivery opportunities and a range of digital offerings. To be added to their weekly mailing list for the updated offers or to take up one of the offers, please email Covid.InKind@london.gov.uk.

In addition, the NHS LPP team has had many suppliers offering services, which we have compiled in our own NHS LPP [Offers from Suppliers](#) list.

Your questions answered

Our team have been supporting members and suppliers with answers to their questions. Answers to our latest questions are available to members on [my.lpp](#).

Coronavirus guidance

Latest public information and advice on COVID-19 from:

- [NHS website](#)
- [GOV.UK](#)

Get in touch

Please continue to reach out to your regular contact in NHS LPP, however, if you do not receive a response please refer to our updated [contact list](#) or please email customer@lpp.nhs.uk If you would like to give feedback on this bulletin or make suggestions for future updates please contact customer@lpp.nhs.uk. If you are not yet an NHS LPP member and wish to hear more, contact us at customer@lpp.nhs.uk. NHS LPP is on [LinkedIn](#) and [Twitter](#)

