

Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Act 2015 Annual Statement

Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust provides a wide range of clinical services to people in south east London.

The Trust operates from two major hospital sites (University Hospital Lewisham and Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Woolwich) and provides community healthcare in 12 centres across Southwark and Lewisham and in patients' own homes. Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust provides a comprehensive range of hospital services to more than 526,000 people living across the South East London Boroughs.

The Trust is fully aware of the responsibilities it bears towards patients, employees and the local community. The Trust undertakes training of staff regarding the Act as part of Corporate Induction and specific training for all clinical staff as part of mandatory training. All members of the procurement department's sourcing team are Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply (CIPS) qualified (or in the process of qualification) and abide by the CIPS code of professional conduct.

All clinical and non-clinical staff within the Trust have a responsibility to understand issues regarding modern slavery and incorporate their understanding of these into their day to day practices.

The aim of this statement is to demonstrate the Trust follows good practice and all reasonable steps are taken to prevent slavery and human trafficking.

All members of staff have a personal responsibility for the successful prevention of slavery and human trafficking with the procurement department taking responsibility lead for compliance in the supply chain.

The Board has considered and approved this statement and will continue to support the requirements of the legislation.

Signed on behalf of the Board on 31st July 2018

Val Davison 

Chair

Ben Travis

Chief Executive 