

## Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement

Yeovil District Hospital is committed to ensuring that there is no modern slavery or human trafficking in any part of our business, including our supply chains. The aim of this statement is to demonstrate that the Trust follows best practice and that all reasonable steps are taken to prevent slavery and human trafficking.

### Introduction

Slavery and human trafficking remains a hidden blight on our global society. We all have a responsibility to be alert to the risks, however small, in our business and in the wider supply chain. Staff are expected to report concerns and management are expected to act upon them.

### Organisation's Structure and Principal Activities

Yeovil District Hospital NHS Foundation Trust is an acute provider of both outpatient and inpatient consultant services to a catchment population of circa 200,000, primary from the rural areas of South Somerset, North and West Dorset and parts of Mendip. Services are overseen by the Trust's two strategy business units (urgent and elective care) covering the following areas: A&E, acute and general medical services (including inpatient cardiology, gastroenterology, respiratory medicine, elderly care medicine, diabetes & endocrinology) and a full range of medical outpatient services, critical care, trauma and orthopaedics, emergency and general surgery (including urology, ENT, ophthalmology and oral surgery), oncology, diagnostic services, paediatrics, obstetrics and gynaecology. The Trust is an accredited Trauma Unit as part of the Severn Trauma Network.

### Our Supply Chains

Our supply chains includes the sourcing of all products and services necessary for the provision of high quality care to our service users.

### Our Policies on Slavery and Human Trafficking

We are committed to ensuring that there is no modern slavery or human trafficking in our supply chains or in any part of our business.

### Due Diligence Processes for Slavery and Human Trafficking

With regards to national or international supply chains, our point of contact is preferably with a UK company and we expect these entities to have suitable anti-slavery and human trafficking policies and processes.

Most of our purchases are against existing supply contracts or frameworks which have been negotiated under the NHS Standard Terms and Conditions of Contract which have the requirement for suppliers to have suitable anti-slavery and human trafficking policies and processes to be in place.

We expect each entity in the supply chain to, at least, adopt 'one-up' due diligence on the next link in the chain. It is not practical for us (and every other participant in the chain) to have a direct relationship with all links in the supply chain.

### Supplier Adherence to Our Values

We have zero tolerance to slavery and human trafficking. We expect all those in our supply chain and contractors comply with our values. The Trust will not support or deal with any business knowingly involved in slavery or human trafficking.

This statement is made pursuant to section 54(1) of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and constitutes our Organisation's slavery and human trafficking statement for the current financial year.