Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Act 2015 Annual Statement

Guy’s and St Thomas’ NHS Foundation Trust provides a wide range of clinical services to people in south London and beyond.

We operate from two major hospital sites (Guy’s Hospital and St Thomas’ Hospital which incorporates the Evelina London Children’s Hospital) and provide community services in 27 centres across Lambeth and Southwark, as well as in people’s homes.

The Trust has more than two million patient contacts each year, including almost 800,000 contacts in our community services. We are one of the largest NHS Trusts in the UK, with an annual turnover of £1.4 billion and more than 15,000 staff.

The Trust is fully aware of its responsibilities towards patients, employees and the local community. The Trust includes staff training about the Act in corporate induction and specific training is provided to all clinical staff as part of their 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 being qualified 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 to incorporate their understanding into day to day practices.

Aim

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