

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust saves £150,000 in three months



We chose the Catalogue Management solution from Advanced to help us with our catalogue of over 600,000 items, making it easier for requisitioners to place orders, and control and standardise discretionary expenditure.

Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust (WAHT) provides hospital-based services from three sites in Kidderminster, Redditch and Worcester. The Trust has an annual turnover of over £360 million and spends approximately £80 million on non-pay medical and surgical products per annum.

The challenge

Catalogue management was a heavy administrative burden for our procurement department, with a catalogue of over 600,000 items. We found it difficult to ensure that products were purchased via the most cost-effective supply route.

We also wanted to gain accurate category coding to get best value when purchasing.

The solution

The Catalogue Management service from Advanced has significantly reduced the administrative burden on the Procurement Department and improved visibility of spend across the Trust.

We now have tighter controls in place in terms of which products can be purchased, meaning that users can only buy items from our selected suppliers. Within a three month period, we have saved £150,000.

Our eProcurement Manager at WAHT, Kate Lakin, concludes, "The Trust is now in a much better position to support the financial challenges of the NHS today, in helping control expenditure both in terms of contractual compliance and delivering cash releasing savings."

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