

## Modern Slavery

The Modern Slavery Act 2015 has introduced changes in UK law focused on increasing transparency in supply chains, to ensure they are free from modern slavery (that is, slavery, servitude, forced and compulsory labour and human trafficking).

NHS Newham CCG fully supports the government's objectives to eradicate modern slavery and human trafficking and will encourage our staff to pursue training, such as [the one developed by Health Education England to train NHS staff](#).

To support the understanding of Modern Slavery, NHS England have produced the following [video](#) which highlights the relevance and impact on healthcare with further information available on their [website](#).

The CCG governing body takes the issue of Modern Slavery seriously and has produced the following statement to demonstrate our commitment:

- NHS Newham Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is an NHS organisation set up by the Health and Social Care Act 2012 to organise the delivery of NHS services in England.
- NHS Newham CCG is committed to the highest level of ethical standards and sound governance arrangements and sets high standards of impartiality, integrity and objectivity in relation to the stewardship of public funds and the management of its activities.
- NHS Newham CCG adopts zero tolerance to corruption and bribery and this policy is endorsed by our governing body.
- We fully support the government's objectives to eradicate modern slavery and human trafficking.
- Our annual report will provide information to supplement this policy, including details of activities, supply chains and actions we are taking to support government.
- We call upon all organisations we engage with to influence their global supply chains by improving transparency and accountability; and together we can help the government eradicate the injustice and brutality of modern slavery and human trafficking.
- The CCG's Modern Slavery Statement and policy details, and further information in the form of a modern slavery briefing in relation to its relevance to the health sector, can be accessed on the following links:

### Modern Slavery Statement

### Modern Slavery Briefing

#### What you can do:

If you identify someone who may be a victim of modern slavery, they can be referred to the National Referral Mechanism to be formally identified as a victim of modern slavery and offered government-funded support. Referral for potential adult victims is by consent. Government-funded support is provided through a range of specialist providers across the UK. There is also Modern Slavery Helpline on 0800 0121 700.