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Welcome to NPAG News for August

Welcome to the August Edition of NPAG News, our bimonthly newsletter.

What can we say about the month of August? Well, at NPAG the last full month of summer is a transitional period. The month traditionally begins quietly - there are few NPAG meetings or events, with many people taking a well-deserved break – but as we move towards September, we begin gearing up for the busy autumn period.

In this edition we bring details of all our autumn activities including the annual Clinical Engineering Conference taking place on Tuesday 23rd September 2025 at London Stansted Airport – see pages 9-12 for more information.

As always, this issue includes details of all best value groups that are renewing. On page 7 we examine how these groups are helping to drive social value through collaboration, innovation, and shared learning and how this helps drive meaningful change.

Also in this edition, we cover two significant areas that will increasingly be a part of our lives. We begin the conversation about Artificial Intelligence (AI). AI has the potential to make a significant difference in health and care settings. We’re already seeing numerous applications of AI technology. Many of our groups are already exploring appropriate applications for AI. But what is it exactly? How can we ensure that we fully harness its benefits and use AI safely and ethically?

We also explore the NHS 10 Year Health Plan for England. See page 6. Have a great August and September everyone and we will be back in October.

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NPAG Facilities South membership is a highly engaged group, offering productive, low-cost investment for any Trust. You have the opportunity to learn and innovate with input from subject matter specialists, both NHS colleagues and invited guests, who are happy to share their knowledge outside of meetings. There is also the chance to influence NHS strategy, through direct feedback to those who shape the future.

Facilities South member 2024-25

News in Brief

NHS Trusts must act as UK switches to digital phone lines

NHS Trusts across the UK are preparing for the nationwide transition from copper-based analogue telephone lines to fully digital networks.

Part of the UK's digital infrastructure upgrade, this is set to complete by January 2027. Many healthcare systems still rely on analogue lines for telecare devices like fall alarms and emergency call systems which may fail without proper upgrades.

The issue is a hot topic across several NPAG best value groups including Estates, EPRR and Telecoms, with members supporting each other as they navigate the significant system upgrades.

Member Trusts are at different stages of implementation as timings for the copper switch-off significantly vary by region. We encourage members to reach out to peers for learnings and will share more in coming issues of this newsletter about how NPAG will be supporting members with the transition to help make the process as seamless and painless as possible.

EEAST leading the way in electric ambulance trial

NPAG's host Trust, the East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust (EEAST), has been selected by NHS England to pilot three electric ambulances.

This initiative places EEAST among the early adopters of electric ambulance technology in the UK. If the pilot proves successful, EEAST will share results with fellow ambulance services in preparation for the national target of a fully electric ambulance fleet by 2030.

The shift to electric vehicles is a key focus for members of NPAG's NHS Sustainability Network. With a new round of the network launching in Autumn, now is the perfect time to get involved.

RWT re-accredited as gold standard for apprenticeships

Congratulations to Clinical Engineering North members Michael Wood and Rob Millard from the Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust, who have been instrumental in securing a Next Gen Makers' *Gold Checkmark* for their Trust's clinical engineering apprenticeship programme.

This accreditation encompasses the course, mentoring, pastoral care and all things around looking after the individual as much as the training.

“The Department is thrilled to receive this for a second year. Last year we were the only NHS Trust to achieve this, and we are still unaware of any others to date!”



The deserved win is sure to initiate questions and discussion at the next Clinical Engineering North meeting when Rob and

his colleague, who leads the apprenticeship programme, will present on the topic. Training is a recurrent topic of conversation for the Group, which actively encourages 'new blood' into the profession.

Delegates at the Clinical Engineering Conference in September can hear firsthand from Rob about best practice for training the Clinical Engineering workforce of the future. Read more about the conference on page 9 or find out more about how to get involved with NPAG's Clinical Engineering North BVG [here](#).

News in Brief cntd.

Surge in BVG meeting attendance

In recent months, NPAG has seen a welcome resurgence in face-to-face meeting attendance across its best value groups. It has been incredibly positive to witness members coming together in person, with Trusts actively supporting their teams to share best practice, even amidst ongoing challenges across the NHS.

Across June and July, a total of fifteen NPAG meetings took place, reflecting vibrant and engaged networks. Meetings were well attended and demonstrate the commitment of our members. In several



Waste Management BVG in Birmingham

groups, we have seen the effective use of the "Send a Deputy" option, ensuring continuity and representation even when core members are unavailable. This adaptability is key to maintaining momentum and ensuring that valuable insights continue to be shared.

The NPAG team has been present at a number of recent meetings and it has been encouraging to observe the energy and engagement first-hand.

We understand that in these times of financial uncertainty it is not always possible to hold all meetings in-person and so some groups have voted to include a greater proportion of virtual meetings in the round. This mix is proving successful and creating a good balance that still enables sharing of content and valuable networking throughout.

As we move through the summer months, we look forward to continuing this positive trend. Thank you to all members and Trusts for your ongoing support and commitment to collaboration.

Could you be the next NPAG Facilitator?

NPAG is seeking enthusiastic and experienced Facilitators to support its portfolio of BVGs.

We are looking for passionate individuals with an interest in sustainability or energy along with excellent facilitation skills and a commitment to collaborative working. Facilitators are required to develop meeting agendas, attend meetings, foster meaningful discussions and help drive innovation in the respective healthcare fields.

We currently have roles for the NHS Sustainability Network and Energy Network. These paid vacancies have arisen as Hardev Sagoo has taken the decision to resign due to other commitments. Libby Horridge will also step down this year from the National District Nurses Network. Both have done an exceptional job and will continue to support NPAG through to the end of the current rounds. We thank them for their valued contribution to NPAG.

For more information or to express your interest, please contact info@npag.eastamb.nhs.uk.

The NPAG team in August

Please bear with the NPAG Team over the summer holiday period. Team holidays may mean your usual contact is unavailable. The office will be closed from 18th - 22nd August, but the NPAGNetwork will remain open throughout.

Please send any urgent requests to info@npag.eastamb.nhs.uk and the team will do their best to facilitate your request. NPAG will operate as usual in September.

Save the date!

We are pleased to announce the 2026 Theatres & Decontamination Conference will take place on 19th May at the Stansted Raddison Blu. Details to follow in the next issue of NPAG News.

NPAG and Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare

NPAG - Innovators

At NPAG we have always supported our members and clients in groundbreaking work and innovation.

We established a national group for NHS Sustainability managers back in 2012 - long before the subject was widely understood across Trusts and we worked closely with the then Sustainable Development Unit in the development of resources and tools to support managers in those early years.

NPAG has been pleased to support colleagues at the centre in the development of many HTMs. We have provided valuable input into the creation of national guidance across a wide range of subject areas.

Artificial Intelligence

Turning to AI, it has the potential to make a huge difference in health and care settings. We are already seeing numerous applications of AI technology, and more work is underway to fully harness its benefits and use AI safely and ethically.

Many of our own NPAG groups aim to support NHS colleagues in harnessing AI innovations and to deploy them in an ethical, efficient, and responsible manner, which delivers enhanced health outcomes and system efficiencies, while upholding transparency, trust, and patient safety.

But what is Artificial Intelligence? Although AI is a term that has now entered common usage, the BMA says it lacks a single definition, broadly referring to technologies simulating human intelligence to perform complex tasks.

In the context of healthcare this can include many aspects: administration, clinical decision-making, improving diagnostics, personalised treatment, providing digital therapies, population health data analysis, and biomedical research. Up to a point, we are using AI now to create this piece for NPAG News!

But implementing AI in healthcare requires careful consideration beyond merely introducing new technologies.

Supporting our members

NPAG's mission is to support its members in the 'continuous improvement' of their services. AI promises major improvements and, as we move forward, the role of NPAG's national networks will be to support members in addressing the key issues. These are likely to include ensuring AI tools are rigorously tested for safety and efficacy, avoiding reliance solely on lab-based evaluations.

Our members will need to work with their clinical colleagues to ensure effective integration into clinical practice.



Let us know how we can support you in these exciting times – what further services could NPAG offer to help?

Navigating the NHS 10-Year Plan

The government's new "Fit for the Future" NHS 10-Year Plan, launched in July, sets out a bold vision to transform the health service. It responds to growing pressures on the NHS with a clear message: reform is essential.

At the heart of the plan are three transformative shifts:

1. From Hospitals to Communities: Expanding integrated, local care.
2. From Analogue to Digital: Making the NHS App the main access point for services.
3. From Sickness to Prevention: Tackling health inequalities and focusing on early intervention.

Key Priorities for 2025/26

The operational guidance for 2025/26 outlines four headline priorities:

- Reducing elective care waiting times
- Improving ambulance response and A&E performance
- Enhancing access to GP and urgent dental care
- Accelerating mental health crisis and outpatient care pathways

These are underpinned by a new financial model that gives local systems greater flexibility, while demanding a 4% productivity improvement across NHS organisations.

How NPAG can support the 10-Year Plan

As a trusted partner to NHS Trusts, NPAG is uniquely positioned to support the delivery of the 10-Year Plan through:

Benchmarking groups: our national networks enable members to share best practice, compare performance, and co-develop solutions aligned with the Plan's priorities.



Training & development: NPAG offers bespoke training programmes to upskill NHS staff in areas such as service improvement, data analytics, and leadership which are key enablers of the Plan's success.

Innovation forums: Through groups and events, NPAG connects members with cutting-edge suppliers and peer-tested innovations that can accelerate productivity and digital adoption.

Policy translation & support: NPAG helps members interpret national policy into local action, offering practical tools, templates, and facilitated workshops to embed change.

Thought leadership & advocacy: NPAG provides a platform for members to influence national thinking, ensuring that frontline voices shape the future of the NHS.

Looking Ahead

The 10-Year Plan is a clear call to action, challenging every part of the system to think differently, act boldly, and work collaboratively. As the NHS embarks on this transformation, NPAG will continue to support its members in navigating the changes, sharing best practice and shaping the future of healthcare delivery.

Driving social value through BVGs

The concept of social value has become a cornerstone of responsible and sustainable decision-making. In the NHS and public sector, this means ensuring that procurement and operational decisions contribute positively to society, not just balance sheets.

Embracing this movement, NPAG provides a collaborative platform where NHS leads come together to share best practices, benchmark performance, and develop innovative solutions that align with social value principles.

Real world impact

The importance of Social Value in decision-making has and is expected to continue to grow as we re-imagine how organisations can deliver value through how they operate. NPAG's Best Value Groups exemplify how collaboration, innovation, and shared learning can drive meaningful change. The work of NPAG's BVGs has led to tangible

improvements across the NHS and public sector. From cost-effective waste reduction strategies to inclusive employment practices, the



ripple effect of these groups is felt in communities nationwide. Members often report increased confidence in decision-making, stronger supplier relationships, and enhanced service delivery, all contributing to a more socially responsible public sector.

Social value will remain a focus for organisations as they reimagine how they deliver value through how they operate. NPAG HQ is playing its own small part, this year generating nearly £50,000 in social value for its Trust by recruiting locally.

How NPAG BVGs are driving social value across the NHS

1. Knowledge Sharing and Collaboration:

BVGs bring together experts from various disciplines - Estates, Energy, Facilities, Waste Management and more, creating a rich environment for sharing insights and strategies that promote social value. This collaboration helps organisations learn from each other and implement proven methods that benefit their communities.

2. Sustainable Procurement Practice

Across BVGs, members increasingly focus on embedding sustainability and ethical sourcing into procurement processes. They explore ways to support local suppliers, reduce carbon footprints, and ensure that contracts deliver long-term value to society.

3. Environmental Stewardship

BVGs like Waste Management and Sustainability are instrumental in driving environmental

initiatives. From reducing single-use plastics to improving recycling rates, these groups help members implement greener practices that align with NHS Net Zero goals.

4. Health and Wellbeing Initiatives

BVGs also support the development of services that enhance staff and patient wellbeing. For example, Estates and Facilities groups often discuss improvements to hospital environments that promote healing and comfort, contributing to better health outcomes.

5. Benchmarking and Continuous Improvement

By benchmarking performance and sharing data, BVGs enable organisations to measure their social value impact and identify areas for improvement. This data-driven approach ensures that progress is tangible and aligned with national frameworks like the Social Value Model.

Refining the role of the NPAG Chair

Earlier this year we announced that NPAG was reviewing the important role of the Chair within its best value groups.

Now, we are pleased to share details of the enhanced role and hope that it continues to attract the high calibre of individuals that our 19-strong BVG portfolio benefits from.

As NPAG groups are member-led, Chairs are nominated by the membership annually and this will continue. The choice of Chair is critical to a BVG's success, as they play a key role in steering the group and discussions, in partnership with our Facilitators, throughout the round.

Core duties are now formalised and include:

- Working with the Facilitator to plan agendas, suggesting possible topics and speakers for each meeting.
- Structuring and managing meetings, with the Facilitator, leading the discussion to both act positively and confidently to bring out the best in participants at events.
- Acting as an ambassador for the group, helping to publicise its work in professional circles, acting as a spokesperson if required.
- Supporting, encouraging and inspiring group members to help members to feel that they have every chance to provide their views; they are listened to and understood; different ideas are integrated to produce a group view and everybody has a chance to contribute.
- Being responsible for the decisions and actions of the group.

Recognising the role and contribution Chairs make to the success of our groups, NPAG provides a financial contribution of at least 25% of the Membership fee, increased if a Chair is fulfilling additional duties above and beyond the core.

Current NPAG Chairs, representing 28 UK Trusts:

- Professional Lead, Dorset Healthcare NHS FT
- General Manager, Steris Instrument Processing
- Head of Sustainability, East Midlands Ambulance Service Trust
- Head of EPRR, Dorset Healthcare University Hospital NHS FT
- Professional Lead for Health Visiting, Birmingham Community Healthcare NHS FT
- Head of Clinical Engineering, Kingston Hospital NHS FT
- Senior Clinical Engineer, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals
- Integrated Pathway Manager, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals
- Professional Development Lead Nurse, East London NHS FT
- Quality and Service Improvement Matron, University Hospitals Morecambe Bay NHS Trust
- Travel and Access Manager, The Northern Care Alliance NHS Group, Salford Royal Hospital
- Senior Sustainable Travel Officer, Manchester University NHS FT
- Sustainability Manager, Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Trust
- Sustainability Project Manager, Gloucestershire Health Care NHS FT
- Senior Facilities Manager, Calderdale & Huddersfield NHS FT
- Senior Transportation Lead, Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS FT
- Deputy Director of Digital-Medical Technology, Kingston and Richmond NHS Foundation Hospital
- Deputy Manager Medical Engineering, University Hospitals Birmingham NHS FT
- Associate Director of Estates & Facilities, Princess Alexandra Hospital NHS Trust
- Managing Director, NHS Property Services
- Waste, Sustainability & Energy Manager, Cambridgeshire & Peterborough NHS FT
- Waste Manager, Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS FT
- Freedom to Speak Up Guardian / Leadership Associate, Berkshire Healthcare NHS FT
- Group Head of Security & Car Parking, Manchester University NHS FT
- Head of Theatres Services, Warrington & Halton University NHS FT
- Telecoms Manager, University Hospitals Dorset NHS FT
- Head of Telecoms, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS FT
- Head of Telecoms, Epsom and St Helier University Hospitals NHS Trust

We encourage interested members to put themselves forward at the end of the current round of their BVGs or the first meeting of a new round.

Clinical Engineering Conference



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'Development Through Innovation'

23rd September 2025 | Radisson Blu Stansted Hotel

Join industry leaders, innovators and professionals at the NPAG Clinical Engineering Conference on 23rd September 2025.

Under this year's theme - *Development through Innovation* - hear from speakers on the future of hospitals and wider delivery of healthcare. Technology is central to development and the conference provides a day of learning, networking and ideas. What are the opportunities and challenges for Clinical Engineers and how will the profession develop?

Advancements in medical equipment will be explored along with the improved outcomes and efficiencies this can bring to clinical practice. How will the role of the Clinical Engineer change, what skills, expertise and training will the future workforce require and how do we regulate, manage and maintain emerging technologies?

Delegates will also hear about national initiatives and innovation within the field.

Why Attend?

Learn from others' best practice. An associated exhibition will enable technical staff to have valuable and in-depth discussions with a large number of suppliers and manufacturers in a relaxed atmosphere, to learn more about the latest products and solutions.

2024 feedback:

“It was a fantastic day and one we will support in the future rest assured.”

“I could not fault the event from start to finish and your organisational and attention to detail skills, echoed by people I spoke with on the day.”

“I really enjoyed the conference and discussion subjects.”

Agenda

- *Keynote Address: Challenges and Opportunities in Clinical Engineering* - Professor Richard Scott, Citizen Medtech Ltd
- *Training the Future Workforce* - Sagrev Dev Chahal and Rob Millard, RWT
- *The Connected Ecosystem* - Michael Wilkening, Draeger Medical
- *NETIS - NHS Supply Chain* - Ed Malone and Leon Holleboom
- *Smart Disposal of Medical Equipment* - Alex Willis, Hilditch Medical
- *Update on New Hospital Programme* - Nata Zaman, New Hospital Programme
- *Developments in 3D Printing* - Martin Kirk, Design Engineering Group
- *Evidence Based Medical Equipment Replacement* - Philip Hodsman, ECRI

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Contact us at: info@npag.eastamb.nhs.uk to book or visit the NPAG website [here](#) for more information.

Clinical Engineering Conference Conference 2025

Sponsorship Packages

23rd September 2025 | Stansted Radisson Blu Hotel

Sponsorship packages are now open for the NPAG Clinical Engineering Conference 2025!

PLATINUM Package Exhibition Stand - £1550 plus VAT. Package to include: -

- Choice of stand location (on a first come basis)
- 2 x 3 metre exhibition stand space
- Company logo included within conference marketing material
- Company logo included on NPAG website in run up to conference
- Social media exposure
- Hand-outs on registration
- 1 x 1/2-page advertisement within NPAG News
- 4 x Delegate Passes (for the exhibitor stand staff)
- 2 x NHS Guest Passes
- B&B on 22nd September 2025 for up to 2 representatives
- Complimentary car parking passes for up to 4

GOLD Package Exhibition Stand - £1350 plus VAT Package to include: -

- 2 x 3 metre width exhibition stand space (stand position will be allocated by NPAG)
- Company logo included within conference marketing material
- Company logo included on NPAG website in run up to conference
- Social media exposure
- Hand-outs on registration
- 1 x 1/2-page advertisement within NPAG News
- 4 x Delegate Passes (for the exhibitor stand staff)
- 2 x NHS Guest Passes
- Complimentary car parking passes for up to 4 vehicles

SILVER Package Exhibition Stand - £1150 plus VAT. Package to include: -

- 2 x 3 metre width exhibition stand space (stand position will be allocated by NPAG)
- Company logo included within conference marketing material
- Company logo included on NPAG website in run up to conference
- Social media exposure
- Hand-outs on registration
- 1 x 1/3-page advertisement within NPAG News
- 2 x Delegate Passes (for the exhibitor stand staff)

BRONZE Package Delegate Pack Inserts - £450 plus VAT. Package to include: -

- Inserts in delegate packs, as supplied by the sponsor and given to all delegates at registration
- 2x Delegate Passes
- Company logo to be included within all conference marketing material
- Company logo to be included on NPAG website in run up to conference
- Social Media exposure
- Company brochure / Information Sheet on registration
- 1 x 1/3-page advertisement within NPAG News

Additions to your package* could include:

*Terms and Conditions Apply

- Double stands - available at 2 x 6 metres
- Each stand can have a up to an additional two people attend the conference at £140 plus VA
- Additional NPAG News advertisements - £100 + VAT per article

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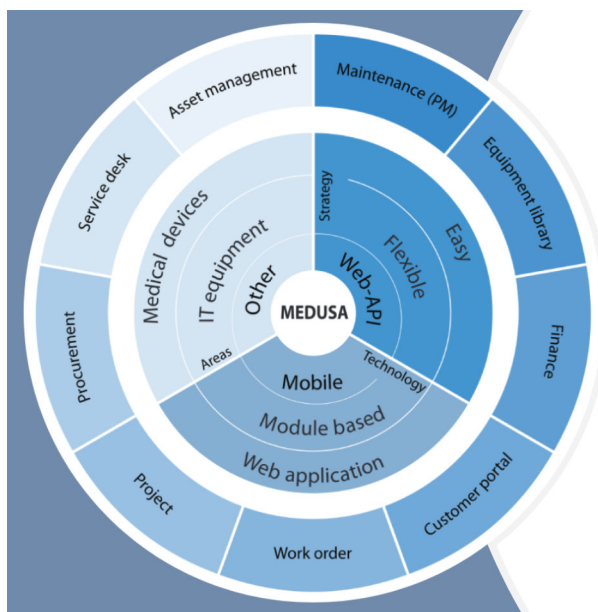
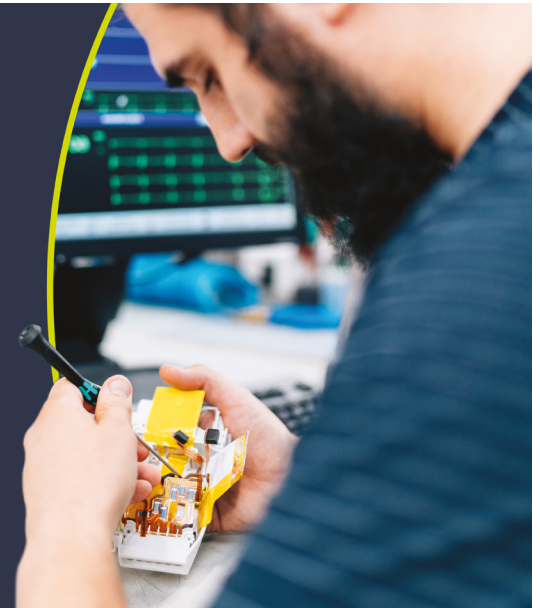
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NPAG Best Value Groups

The following groups are renewing in the coming months:

Telecoms BVG - New round starting on 9th September 2025

NHS Telecoms professionals, industry experts and service providers, allowing members to evaluate new technology, share best practice and influence service providers to secure best value solutions to telecommunication services across the NHS estate. The group offers peer to peer support to solve complex technical problems within member Trusts. Members invite key service providers to each meeting, providing presentations on topical issues or products relating to current challenges and needs.

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IT & Medical Connectivity Network - New round starting on 10th September 2025

IT systems reach out into all areas of healthcare and new mobile technology is bringing health IT into every aspect of our lives. Recognising the need to support NHS professionals in these areas, this network brings together NHS Acute & Community IT professionals, Clinical Engineers, and Suppliers to understand and overcome some of the interoperability, security, and connection issues. It allows shared learning and training across organisations, pulling together a sometimes-disparate community and gaining valuable insights from suppliers, government agencies and invited experts.

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Violence Reduction & Security Management Network- New round starting on 9th October 2025

The Violence Reduction & Security Management Network provides an invaluable forum for supporting any members of staff who are involved in these areas. The network has gone from strength to strength and has been growing in size accordingly. In 2025-26 the Network had 70 members from across the NHS. Members continue to share an extensive range of knowledge, experience and learning in a safe environment. Meeting agendas are member led and include a 'Hot Topics' slot where members can raise current issues. Members also benefit significantly from networking between meetings.

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NHS Sustainability Network - New round starting in November 2025

In the NHS, sustainability and sustainable development have been on the agenda for many years. The values of the NHS to protect health and wellbeing empower us to take the lead on making healthcare more sustainable. The NPAG NHS Sustainability Network is aimed at managers committed to making a difference. Established in 2012, the group has grown significantly in membership and in influence. Members freely share policies, procedures, and different approaches, as well as asking for advice on things they are struggling with – all aimed at increasing knowledge, saving time, and improving effectiveness. An important aspect of the group's meetings is sharing data to benchmark performance. Agreed KPIs enable members to monitor their department's individual performance and provide a means to monitor continuous performance.

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Interested? NPAG's Best Value Groups provide a structured networking forum for healthcare professionals to meet, discuss current issues and hear from internal and external experts. Visit our [website](#) to find out more or contact the NPAG team for more information at info@npag.eastamb.nhs.uk

NPAG Training Workshops For Healthcare Professionals

As part of our aim to support NHS and public sector managers, NPAG offers a variety of healthcare training workshops, working with a network of trainers who are experts in their field.

The NPAG training workshop portfolio includes:

Workplace Wellbeing: Creating Capacity to Care

A one-day on-site workshop focussing on burnout and other psychological phenomena common amongst Health Care Professionals. The workshop helps realign HCPs to their initial reason for entering the profession via inspiring them to proactively engage in their own journey of personal development and educating, and empowering participants to develop the right habits.

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Putting the Patient First: Customer Care & Communication

This one-day on-site training workshop increases awareness of the service user relationships and its importance and impact on your organisation. The bespoke programme will reflect on your organisational core values, ensuring successful and measurable outcomes. Using exercises and various other materials, it will challenge behaviours and attitudes helping promote an excellent service to all service users.

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Clinical Development for Occupational Health Professionals

A series of modules providing evidence-based theory and professional confidence and competencies in Occupational Health. Each one-day module will provide the daily clinical and professional skills to undertake duties. Choose from: COSHH Health Surveillance; Employment & Pre-Placement Health Assessment; Fitness for Work; Human Factors in OH, Ergonomic Assessment & Adjustments; Long-Term Condition, Health & Disability Management; Noise & Vibration Health Surveillance & Case Management; Occupational Health Risk Assessment; Performance & Attendance.

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Benefits include:



- ✓ Evidence to the CQC of your commitment to improving patient care through staff training
- ✓ Evidence of contribution towards NHS England's *Promise* to provide a positive and compassionate working culture
- ✓ Practical 'toolkits' to help delegates hone additional skills to enhance their daily role
- ✓ All NPAG workshops are CPD certified, offering standalone professional participatory CPD hours
- ✓ As an NHS organisation, NPAG is able to offer training at very competitive prices

Who are our workshops aimed at?



Healthcare professionals. Training programmes are tailored and developed to meet delegate and organisational needs.

Interested? Visit our [website here](#) to find out more about our workshops here or
Contact Lynn Maddison for further details and booking information at info@npag.eastamb.nhs.uk

NPAGNetwork

Supporting our Members

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The NPAG Network is available to all our Members and continues to provide a very welcome service.

NPAG developed the service, recognising the need for a forum for healthcare providers to ask questions, request assistance and information, share documents, and get professional and practical advice from their peers throughout the UK, saving time and money in not reinventing the wheel. Members of the NPAG's Best Value and National Networking Groups form the nucleus of the Network – providing over 600 contacts throughout the UK.



Here are some recent Network questions:



We are looking to review options on the feasibility of introducing a Trust pool car service for use by employees when undertaking journeys associated with business mileage. Do any of the current group members already run any such similar schemes and could information be provided with regard to the following: size of Trust - employees, numbers of vehicles contained in pool car fleet, how vehicles are commissioned - leased, purchased and resources utilised to administer the service - booking vehicles, storage/parking facilities?

NHS Car Parking & Sustainable Transport Network Member

Could you ask the network if any DN teams use non paper electronic systems for Injectable medication administration such as nerve centre or e-meds please?

NDNN Member

Which team is responsible for the first bodily fluids clean at your Trust, and what type of organisation is this in? We are a mental health Trust and we're now starting to get pressure for our facilities team to clean bodily fluids rather than clinical.

Facilities North BVG Member

We are currently trying to determine whether there is any mandatory requirement for theatre staff to have their footwear provided by the Trust, or if it would be acceptable for staff to purchase their own footwear, similar to the arrangement for ward staff. This information is crucial for us as we aim to ensure compliance with regulations while also considering the cost impact on stretched budgets. Please can you share the theatre shoe provision practices at your Trust?

Operating Theatre Managers BVG Member

If you don't currently use the service, please do so. You will not be disappointed! Please send your NPAG Network requests to: npagnetwork@npag.eastamb.nhs.uk

Please note, you need to be an NPAG member to submit an enquiry and members must have permission to share documentation with NPAG.

Working in partnership with NPAG

NPAG has established many important partnerships over the years. We work closely with a number of excellent training providers and business associates.

If this is of interest to you, please contact us: info@npag.eastamb.nhs.uk

What's hot for the coming months

National Networking Group Meetings Conferences

August

- Decontamination BVG
- Facilities South BVG

- Clinical Engineering Conference (23rd September 2025)
- Theatres and Decontamination Conference (19th May 2026)

September

- Health Visiting & School Health Services Network
- IT & Medical Connectivity Network
- National District Nurses Network
- Waste Management BVG
- Estates BVG
- Operating Theatre Managers BVG
- Temporary Workforce Network
- Telecoms BVG

Workshops & Events

- Clinical Development for Occupational Health Professionals training workshops
- Putting the Patient First on-site training workshops
- Workplace Wellbeing: Creating Capacity to Care on-site training workshops

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