

Waste actions from UCLH's "Plan-A"

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The Trust is committed to an overall reduction in waste generation, the development of an effective waste strategy to recover, recycle or re-use waste material and to seek disposal options with a low environmental impact.			
No.	Comitment to doing the right thing	Progress	Status
13	Waste Policy: we will publish a clear policy, endorsed by senior management setting targets for waste management performance and scope for actions	The policy is was issued and is now being rolled out	
14	Waste Awareness: we will promote waste awareness in all staff, including domestic staff, to ensure all adhere to Trust guidelines. We will hold briefings and awareness events to this end.	Waste champions are nominated and trained for each key site New clear bags being used to improve segregation of domestic waste	
15	Waste management: we will endeavour to reduce waste and facilitate effective handling and segregation of waste	This is to be rolled out in 2010	
16	Engagement on waste reduction: we will introduce a competitive element in staff to do well and encourage sustainable waste management	% waste recycling will be increased year on year – we aim to be in upper percentile for NHS Trust's by 2013	
17	Waste Segregation: we will ensure waste is separated and diverted from landfill wherever possible. Recyclates will be channelled appropriately. Other materials will be given a second life.	% waste recycling will be increased year on year – we aim to be in upper percentile for NHS Trust's by 2013	
18	ICT Waste: We will reduce and re-use ICT waste by signing up to computers for charity schemes, considering MOD programme for reuse of e-waste and recycling ink-jet cartridges/using refillable ones.		
19	Food Waste: We will eliminate food waste for landfill by considering charity recipients of surplus food and reviewing alternative treatment options.	Food waste processing is in its infancy in ULCH at present however our menu option seeks to reduce waste to best practice levels	
20	Clinical Waste: dependent on risk assessment outcomes, we will reduce and dispose of clinical waste in a sustainable manner.	% waste recycling will be increased year on year – we aim to be in upper percentile for NHS Trust's by 2013	
21	Construction Waste: wherever possible we will implement a re-use and adaptability plan avoiding new materials, waste and labour.	Some recycling of materials has been achieved but more work is necessary	
22	Waste Management Plan: we will consider lifecycle of all supplies and reduce, re-use, recycle wherever possible. We will demand a high level of sustainability accounting from waste management contractors.	We have recently visited a state-of-the-art waste to energy site. We will review the application of these technologies and affordability for UCLH.	
23	Re-use and Re-cycle: this will become the default option in all waste management decisions	We currently have facilities for recycling paper, glass, and card in most sites. We will extend these facilities to all sites and all areas	
24	Waste contractor procurement: all waste disposal/management contractors will be vetted to ensure safe and secure disposal of non-recyclable items.	We will undertake duty of care audits on all key waste providers	
25	Waste Champion: we will identify an individual, internally or externally, to provide staff training on appropriate waste management.	These are in place – training will be ongoing	

(source: UCLH "Plan A")