

Telecoms Best Value Group 2020-2021

Meeting 1: 8th September 2020, Microsoft Teams

The Telecoms BVG is a unique group of NHS Telecom professionals. Membership of the group facilitates collaboration with Telecoms industry experts and service providers, allowing members to evaluate new technology, share best practice and influence service providers to secure best value solutions. One of the most valued benefits of membership is the peer-to-peer support between members, which often proves invaluable in resolving complex technical issues across the NHS.

The group holds quarterly meetings, generally at a Central London location, where two service providers are invited by the members at each meeting to give presentations on topical issues or products relating to current challenges relevant to members business needs. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the group has agreed to two virtual meetings and 2 face-to-face meetings during this round.

The agenda of the meetings is driven by members needs and requirements with key topics for 2020-21 including:

- Evaluating innovative, cost effective solutions to replace current bleep and pager technology.
- The new 'Business as Usual': What is it and how do we continue to provide it?
- Collaborative working and its integration with the traditional telephony estate.
- How to secure best value in an ever changing market place.

"The Telecoms Best Value Group provides an excellent opportunity to engage with NHS colleagues and discuss common telecommunications issues affecting the NHS. Membership has allowed me to deploy services and products introduced through the group which have provided best value solutions for my Trust. I consider membership of this group essential and worthwhile to any NHS telecoms professional." Telecoms Manager. St Georges University Hospitals NHS FT

Why join? Our Chair says:

"Being a member of this unique group will enhance your knowledge base and simplify your life! The Covid 19 outbreak has given the NHS many challenges. Communications has been subject to an extraordinary change with unprecedented adoption of new technologies to enable a predominately office-based workforce to become mobile and work, with full access to required resources, from the most appropriate location. These changes will define the way our teams will be expected to provide service to our colleagues, and what better way to assist in this change than becoming a member of the NPAG Telecoms Best Value Group?" Richard Hooper, UHBW FT. Joint Chair

Interested? The first meeting of the round will take place on Tuesday 8th September 2020 via Microsoft

Teams. The remaining three meeting dates and venues will be agreed at the first meeting. Please contact Marie Cherry for further details or complete the attached Registration Form to secure your place: e: marie.cherry@npag.eastamb.nhs.uk tel: 01245 544600

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