

Mobile Working Policy and Guidelines

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1 INTRODUCTION

The Hull Clinical Commissioning Group (thereby known as the CCG) are much smaller organisations with less funds then that of their predecessor PCT organisations. Mobile working allows the CCG to make cost savings while ensure that staff remains interconnected and able to work from almost anywhere.

The CCG has therefore adopted three levels of agile working with all staff falling into one of these categories:-

Fixed

Fixed workers will:

- Spend most of their time working at one fixed site.
- May have specific, individual equipment / furniture needs to be able to perform their role and work effectively
- Seldom away from their desk except for meetings with colleagues in the office
- Do not need to work from non-CCG sites.

Equipment

- Use of Fixed Phone on Desk.
- Use of Fixed Desktop Computer, or laptop which can sit in a docking station on the desk.

Flexible

Flexible workers will:

- Have the ability to effectively deliver their work utilising space across a range of CCG buildings or locations where wifi is available
- May also spend time attending meetings or working at other Trust, partner, or client sites
- Spend a large percentage of their time attending meetings/other similar events and/or delivering business across a range of internal and external sites
- Have the option and ability to work from any site or location where wifi is enabled

Equipment

- Standard mobile phone
- Laptop computer with standard carry case
- Laptop peripherals ie., plug in mouse, keyboard, screen if required
- External network access

Flexible Plus

Flexible Plus workers will:

- Have the ability to effectively deliver their work utilising space across a range of CCG buildings or locations where wifi is available
- Spend most of their time working 'on the move'; accessing information or conducting community/client/patient based activities, working across a range of operational / business sites and coming into offices only for meetings or other specific events
- Have the option and ability to work from any site or location regardless of whether there is wifi.

Equipment

- Smart Phone
- Laptop computer with standard carry case
- External network access
- 3G dongle (SIM) One off initial cost as well as monthly charge

While there are differences between these staffing groups any CCG member of staff can request remote access. Willful or negligent disregard of this policy will be investigated and may be treated as a disciplinary offence.

2 ENGAGEMENT

This policy has been developed based on the knowledge and experience of the Information Governance team. It is derived from a number of national codes and policies which are considered as best practice and have been used across many public sector organisations.

3 IMPACT ANALYSES

3.1 Equality

An equality impact screening analysis has been carried out on this policy and is attached at Appendix 1.

As a result of performing the analysis, the policy, project or function does not appear to have any adverse effects on people who share *Protected Characteristics* and no further actions are recommended at this stage.

3.2 Sustainability

A sustainability assessment has been completed and is attached at Appendix 2. The assessment does not identify and benefits or negative effects of implementing this document.

4 SCOPE

This policy applies to all staff, CCG Members, temporary staff, seconded staff, contractors and others undertaking work on behalf of the CCG etc who are permitted to use equipment

of the organisation at home or other place of work, or who may use their own personal or third-party computing resources to connect to networked services of the organisation. Such equipment includes, but is not limited to:

- Laptop computers
- PDA's or other hand-held devices
- Smartphones

5 POLICY PURPOSE & AIMS

Requesting Remote Access

Remote access can be requested for any existing staff member or can be requested as part of the setup of a new account.

Requests for remote access should be directed to the IMT Service Desk and should originate from the Line Manager of the individual requiring the access. Once logged the IMT department will process the request.

Guidelines

Health and Safety

In principle the same considerations should be given to the remote working environment as to the working in the normal office environment. You should ensure your immediate working environment is free of trip hazards, electrical connections are safe etc. It is the employee's duty to always consider the risks surrounding their working environment, and take steps where appropriate.

Theft

A laptop or other mobile device is a prime target for theft, as they are small, expensive, and generally easy to dispose of.

- You should never leave devices unattended
- You should never leave devices on view in a motor vehicle. Ideally always take
 equipment with you, however if you have no choice but leave equipment in a
 vehicle ensure it is locked in the boot and not visible
- Such equipment can also be an issue in a high-risk environment, such as a
 housing estate. An individual carrying what is clearly a laptop bag is a prime
 target, so wherever possible ensure you are aware of the risks surrounding you.
 The use of rucksacks or other non-obvious bags to carry a laptop may be
 advisable in some circumstances

Privacy and Information Governance

The rules applying to information governance in the workplace similar apply to remote working using IT equipment. You should take all steps that are necessary to ensure that information is not disclosed.

In particular, ensure that you are not overlooked when using any system. If you are in a public place, then find a location where it is not possible for anyone to see over your

shoulder. CCTV is also prevalent in today's world, particularly in the UK, so it is advisable to be aware of any cameras overlooking your point of work that might be able to see information on your screen. Privacy screens are available on request from the Information Governance Team. These screens fit over the laptop's monitor and reduce the viewing angle of the screen so that it is only visible when looked at squarely to the screen.

The risks associated with a breach of the information governance rules are:

- accidental breach of patient confidentiality
- disclosure of other sensitive data of the organisation to unauthorised individuals
- loss or damage to critical business data
- damage to the organisation's infrastructure and e-services through spread of untrapped malicious code such as viruses
- the creation of a hacking opportunity through an unauthorised internet access point
- misuse of data through uncontrolled use of removable media such as digital memory sticks and other media
- other operational or reputational damage

Use of Public Computers or Publicly Available Networks

Great care should be taken using publicly-available equipment, such as an Internet café or hotel PC.

- Ensure that controls exist such that access is controlled. Avoid 'free use' facilities
 where someone just walk up and use the device. Most Internet cafés have systems
 which issue a 'one time' password, which allows access only for a prescribed period
 of time. If this is the case, also ensure you have allowed sufficient time at the end of
 your period for 'clearing down' any information you may leave behind.
- If you have any doubts that the device is not properly secured (e.g. does not appear to have any anti-virus software installed), then do not use such equipment
- Facilities will be limited when using public equipment, generally to using Outlook Web Access for reviewing and sending emails
- When you have finished, before closing Internet Explorer make sure you clear the
 browsing history (depending on the version of Explorer, generally Tools->Internet
 Options->Clear History), and also remove temporary files (generally Tools->Internet
 Options->Delete Files). Ensure that the 'Delete All Offline Content' box is ticked.
- If you are using a public available network or 'hotspot', make sure that is a secured network (i.e. requires you to put in a pass key). If it is unsecured, do NOT use it, as any data passing between your PC and the network can be captured.

Storage of Data

- You should never store any data on a non-CCG supplied device. This applies to home PCs or PCs used in hotels or Internet cafes
- Do not store data on diskette, CD or other similar storage device

Memory Sticks

- If data does need to be stored, then use ONLY a CCG-supplied encrypted memory stick .These are available by request from the IMT department, subject to a manager's approval.
- Each encrypted memory stick has a unique serial number and password.
 Information cannot be accessed unless the password is known. Do not write the password down, and if it needs to be shared with other member of staff, inform the other individual verbally.
- Memory sticks should not be labelled with any sort of NHS identification. They
 are secure, and without the password they are useless. It should not be possible
 to determine that the memory stick is the property of the NHS.

Data and Device Encryption

- All mobile devices MUST be equipped with encryption software
- Laptops supplied by the CCG will have this pre-installed
- Other devices, such as Smartphones should also be encrypted. Any device supplied by the IMT department will already be encrypted, however devices ordered directly from the manufacturer or distributor may not. If you are in any doubt, please contact the IMT Service Desk. As a guide an encrypted device will require a password at power-on, whereas an unencrypted one will not.

Identifying Labels

Remote devices should not carry any identifying labels which immediately indicate they are NHS property. You should make a note of any serial or asset numbers on the devices you have been issued with. These will be required when any loss or theft is reported.

You should also not carry any other identifying paperwork with the laptop, which identifies it as an NHS machine. If possible, always carry paperwork separate from the laptop.

Confidentiality

As the NHSnet is a closed network and access from other networks is very strictly controlled, staff should be aware that the greatest risk to security is posed by those within the network, and not by outsiders. The NHSnet cannot protect systems from the actions, legitimate or otherwise, of other users. Therefore, all staff should be especially aware of the CCG's security and Internet and E-mail policies. Staff should also ensure that they are meeting the requirements of the Data Protection Acts, and at all times behave in accordance with UK law.

Staff working on CCG or associated organisations material/work must at all times take extreme care to ensure that confidentiality is maintained and follow appropriate Trust policies.

Sensitive and confidential material must not be taken out of the conventional workplace without prior approval by a member of staff's line manager

Incident Reporting

Any incident which has or you believe may have compromised the integrity of the CCG information systems through remote working should be reported through the existing incident management process. This would include, but is not limited to:-

- Loss or theft of any supplied equipment
- Accidental loss or disclosure of information such as login names, passwords or PIN numbers that could cause the CCG information systems to be compromised.
- Loss or disclosure of any other confidential information.
- Loss or theft of equipment should be reported to the IMT Service Desk immediately. This will ensure that steps can be taken to prevent the equipment being used on the CCG network, and in some cases allow the equipment to be disabled remotely.

6 ROLES / RESPONSIBILITIES / DUTIES

Review and Maintenance:- Information Security Officer

Approval:- CCG Management Team

Local adoption:- Line managers (in scope)

Compliance:- All staff and contractors (in scope)

Monitoring:- Service Desk, System Engineers, Audit

7 IMPLEMENTATION

The policy will be disseminated by being made available on the intranet and highlighted to staff through newsletters, team briefings and by managers.

'Breaches of this policy may be investigated and may result in the matter being treated as a disciplinary offence under the CCG's disciplinary procedure'.

8 TRAINING & AWARENESS

Staff will be made aware of the policy via the Intranet.

9 MONITORING & AUDIT

Adherence to this policy will be monitored through the incident reporting system and also through standard IMT monitoring KPI's. Where there is a suspected issue an investigation will be performed and staff found to be breach guidance may be subject to disciplinary actions.

10 POLICY REVIEW

This policy will be reviewed in 2 years. Earlier review may be required in response to exceptional circumstances, organisational change or relevant changes in legislation/guidance, as instructed by the senior manager responsible for this policy.

11 REFERENCES

This policy should be used in conjunction with the following policies:

Acceptable Computer Use Policy
Data Protection and Confidentiality Policy

Annex A – FAQ

What is a Authentication Token?

A Authentication token is a small device that is associated with your personal network login account. When you are issued a token you will be required to enter a personal identification number (PIN) upon its first use. When the token is used in conjunction with your network login and password for remote access to the network, you are only given access if the following details are entered correctly:-

- Your Personal Login Name or Username (this is the same login name you use to access the network when at Trust premises)
- Your Personal Password
- Your Token Pin
- The Secure Token rolling Number

Annex B - Guidance while working remotely

All staff

- Users must take precautions to ensure that no breach of confidentiality or inappropriate disclosure can arise as a result of unauthorised access by others resident at, or visiting the remote location.
- Under no circumstances must anyone other than the authorised user be allowed access to the connection, even for seemingly harmless activities.
- Users must ensure that PC is located in a discrete location where the screen is not
- easily overlooked.
- Users must take particular care to log off form the remote connection when not in use.
- Users are responsible for the security of personal logins and password security. You should never tell anyone your personal network password under any circumstances.
- Users are responsible for your Authentication token and your associated PIN. You
 must never tell anyone your PIN. If you suspect someone knows your PIN you must
 IMT Service Desk immediately in order to have the token disabled.
- Users are responsible for any loss of their Authentication Token. If you lose your Authentication token you must report this to IMT service Desk immediately.
- You or your department are responsible for any costs associated with lost or stolen Authentication tokens.
- Equipment should not be left in vehicles overnight

Appendix 1

	1. Equality Impact Analysis
Policy / Project / Function:	Mobile Working Policy and Guidelines
Date of Analysis:	13/01/14
This Equality Impact Analysis was completed by: (Name and Department)	C Wallace - IG Manager – CCG IG Team
What are the aims and intended effects of this policy, project or function ?	This Policy defines the types of worker .e.g. fix desk or flexible and provides guidance to staff who work remotely.
Please list any other policies that are related to or referred to as part of this analysis?	
	Employees
Who does the policy, project or function affect ?	Service Users
Please Tick ✓	Members of the Public
	Other (List Below) Any users of CCG IT equipment

	Could this policy have a positive impact on		Could this policy have a negative impact on		Is there any evidence which already exists from previous (e.g. from previous engagement) to evidence this impact
	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Race					
Age		\boxtimes		\boxtimes	
Sexual Orientation				\boxtimes	
Disabled People		\boxtimes		\boxtimes	
Gender				\boxtimes	
Transgender People				\boxtimes	
Pregnancy and Maternity		\boxtimes		\boxtimes	
Marital Status		\boxtimes		\boxtimes	
Religion and Belief		\boxtimes		\boxtimes	
Reasoning					

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Policy / Report / Service Plan / Project Title: Theme (Potential impacts of the activity)	Positive	Negative	No specific	What will the impact be? If the impact is negative, how can it be
meme (Fotential impacts of the activity)	Impact	Impact	impact	mitigated? (action)
Reduce Carbon Emission from buildings by 12.5% by			Х	
2010-11 then 30% by 2020				
New builds and refurbishments over £2million (capital			х	
costs) comply with BREEAM Healthcare requirements.				
Reduce the risk of pollution and avoid any breaches in			х	
legislation.				
Goods and services are procured more sustainability.			х	
Reduce carbon emissions from road vehicles.			х	
Reduce water consumption by 25% by 2020.			Х	
Ensure legal compliance with waste legislation.			х	
Reduce the amount of waste produced by 5% by 2010			х	
and by 25% by 2020				
Increase the amount of waste being recycled to 40%.			Х	
Sustainability training and communications for			х	
employees.				
Partnership working with local groups and organisations			х	
to support sustainable development.				
Financial aspects of sustainable development are			х	
considered in line with policy requirements and				
commitments.				