

NHS Evergreen Case Study

Collaborating with Suppliers to Support the NHS Net Zero Agenda

Organisation: Viamed Ltd

Reporting Period: 2025

Background

Viamed Ltd recognises that a significant proportion of its environmental impact occurs within its supply chain. As part of our Carbon Reduction Plan and Sustainable Procurement Policy, we are increasing engagement with suppliers to encourage improved environmental performance, responsible sourcing and greater transparency of greenhouse gas emissions.

The Challenge

As a small specialist supplier to the NHS, Viamed purchases products and components from a diverse international supply chain. Influencing supplier environmental performance can be challenging, particularly where suppliers vary in size, maturity and reporting capability.

Our objective is to encourage continuous improvement whilst maintaining resilient and responsible sourcing arrangements.

Our Approach

During 2025 and 2026 Viamed has strengthened supplier engagement by:

- Introducing sustainability considerations into supplier reviews.
- Requesting Carbon Reduction Plans and Net Zero commitments where available.
- Requesting Modern Slavery Statements and ethical sourcing documentation.
- Implementing a Supplier Code of Conduct covering environmental, ethical and governance expectations.
- Reviewing critical suppliers as part of procurement and supplier performance monitoring.
- Developing additional supplier sustainability questions and KPIs for future supplier reviews.

These activities are designed to improve supply chain transparency and support continual environmental improvement.

Benefits

Our supplier engagement programme is helping to:

- Improve understanding of supplier environmental performance.
 - Encourage suppliers to develop their own carbon reduction programmes.
 - Strengthen responsible procurement decisions.
 - Increase visibility of Scope 3 emissions.
 - Improve resilience through closer supplier relationships.
 - Support NHS expectations for sustainable supply chains.
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Future Commitments

Over the next 12 months Viamed will continue to develop its supplier sustainability programme by:

- Expanding supplier sustainability KPIs.
 - Increasing collection of supplier carbon reduction evidence.
 - Continuing supplier mapping and risk assessment.
 - Incorporating environmental performance into regular supplier reviews.
 - Supporting continual improvement throughout the supply chain.
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Outcome

Supplier engagement forms an important part of Viamed Ltd's wider sustainability strategy.

Although our organisation is relatively small, we recognise that collaboration throughout the supply chain is essential to reducing Scope 3 emissions and supporting the NHS Net Zero ambition. We remain committed to strengthening supplier engagement and improving sustainability performance through continual improvement.