

Phil Adams-Howell



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Entry details

Summary Overview

Phil's role as a senior nurse and his 20 year career is about helping others. As a trained critical care nurse, but no longer patient facing now finds himself pivotal to all things UCLH procurement.

From local level to ICS level Phil's open and approachable attitude continues to support the drive of many workstreams forward, both on line and off, supporting other organisations, supporting his colleagues internally while also taking lead on specific large high spend project activity. This has very much placed UCLH in the forefront of the ICS work stream and long may this continue. Phil understands fully the joined up working strategic approach and sees Procurement being inclusive to this in the future.

Phil does all the above and so much more while still maintaining his professional registration. There is not a key member of UCLH staff that does not know Phil, his way of proficiency and supportive keen to do attitude and during COVID it was a pleasure to have him in the trenches with us.

UCLH procurement have long been fortunate to have Phil going above and beyond for 10 years and counting. This was echoed by his recent shortlist by ICU for a "safety" award in the "Celebrating Excellence" award at the Trust.

I cannot emphasise enough Phil's respect in UCLH. He binds everything together for us and is irreplaceable. I hope my supporting evidence echoes this further.

I wish to nominate the following person (or group/organisation) for award. I understand that by submitting this nomination I declare that the information I have provided is – to the best of my knowledge – accurate and complete.

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Supporting Info

Supporting Statement

A large part of Phil's role is to provide knowledge to the Procurement directorate allowing us to work jointly with the trust on strategies, value add and cost saving programmes. But Phil does much more. Phil aligns himself to the needs of many, within the wider trust, even other NHS Trusts as part of ICS collaboration.

Phil has recently been navigating his way through a wider NCL ICS woundcare project consisting of seven acute NHS Trusts, aligning formularies with anticipated savings in the region of six figures. Phil has also been providing the clinical support in our NCL ICS surgical glove project, bridging the gap between strategic procurement, commercial offerings and that of the clinical requirement.

Phil has recently collaboratively introduced a new supplier rep policy for UCLH incorporating a new supplier software with IntelliCentrics and working collaboratively with all clinical boards in imbedding this new software in the trust and thus providing control over the supplier reps that visit UCLH on Trust business.

He opens doors for opportunity and champions change. He's collaborative but never forgets that although not patient facing the decisions he makes, advice he provides and the knowledge he shares, impacts the patients and care that is provided at UCLH. Knowledge he has in abundance and is earned yet shared freely. As an employee whose experience matches his knowledge.

Such is Phil's respect - in an Organisation that has circa 4000, during COVID, Phil was chosen to be the joint face of UCLH's 2020 International Year of the Nurse and the Midwife with banners adorning the Trust of each chosen nurse and/or midwife.

Where standardisation has proven difficult, Phil was able to create, build and maintain a cohort of clinical respected colleagues do drive standardisation of clinical products, reduce unwarranted variation of use, and bring with it in excess of £500,000 of savings across circa 20+ projects.

The eighteen months of SARS-CoV-2 focus has been marked by significant deviation from 'normal' working practices, the environments we work in and expectations from above. Adapt he did. Volunteering as a registered nurse to support critical care, drafting into crises meetings with key stakeholders, his respect is high across UCLH. Phil bridges the gap between or clinical colleagues and Procurement. With the core of his colleagues were moved to working from home or a hybrid model, Phil travelled into central London by train from Essex, sometimes six days a week, without break or rest, to ensure he was absolutely at the hub of the Trust, able to be responsive in real time.

Phil has never relented in his attitude to UCLH and the patients we are here to look after and raises his and our profile daily. Phil is always happy to don a uniform when required to support colleagues in teams such as Tissue Viability and Infection Control – he sees taking part in audits as vital to contributing to his own ongoing development and also ensuring the results are used to benefit patient care and the working lives of staff within the Trust. Recently he coordinated and led a Trustwide project over 4 days that saw every foam mattress within the Trust (1000+ beds) assessed and replaced where necessary. This called for a multidisciplinary approach working with ward staff, matrons, the Tissue Viability team, volunteers and portering staff as well as the Trust's current provider of a bed management contract.

Moving into current day and in a world of ongoing supply and demand issues within the NHS, Phil has been leading in building approved alternatives catalogues and supporting interim change but reviewing daily on a granular level the daily stock outs and ICNs that materialise and thus ensuring continuity in the provision of care for patients at UCLH. He also works closely with the Trust's own supplychain and logistics teams (including 3rd party providers on a couple of sites) to ensure seamless transition of product when incumbent providers have been short of stock, ensuring that clinical areas do not run out of kit needed for patient care and safe practice.

Phil also sits on a number of NHS Supply Chain Framework review councils (most recently in the IV and respiratory spaces) to provide advice on products and specifications from a clinical perspective. In addition he is a known and respected opinion former and thought leader amongst his colleagues in the national Clinical Procurement Specialist Nurses forum.

He takes a prominent role in all ICS level discussions supporting our directors, business partners and other trust colleagues in designing and delivering a collaborative programme - taking lead on many complex projects to date. He is our own NHS hero. Phil certainly strives in the most complicated of circumstances. Recent times continue to bring about challenges previously unseen in the procurement arena and he has excelled throughout. His professional and collaborative qualities have been very much the lynch pin for the department, and we certainly couldn't have achieved what we had without him.

Outside of his employment Phil plays an integral part in his Salvation Army brass band essentially volunteering his time and skill set to benefit others. He is also a member of a Championship section contesting band in Essex and has performed at the highest levels in that role.

He is a charismatic individual with an aptitude to maintain the trajectory. Regardless of awards i am proud and grateful for everything he does in my team.

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