

Buyer – Raw Materials, Services & Cap-Ex

Department: Procurement

Reports To:

Head of Procurement

About Us

Our purpose is to 'Save Lives', 'Empower our Colleagues' and 'Enrich Our Communities'. It's a really powerful message, and it's not often you get to work in an industry that improves and protects life! We are a global supplier of medical devices, and we are proud to be a UK Manufacturer, in the heart of the County, here in Derby.

Did you know that we are also an EOT – Employee-Owned Trust? That means we boast a proud team of 163 employees, each one of whom is an owner of our business. This gives us an edge, as it means we all get a say in how our business is run, and because we're employee-owners, we're a special bunch who like to go that extra mile for our company. Our customers love us for it, as demonstrated by the quality of our products and the service we offer.

If you want to work and feel that special feeling, of being in a team where everyone wants to do their best and go that extra mile, then you will find it here!

Simply put, we don't just want to be a great place to work, we want to be a great place to be. The best bit? You're invited to the party to make us even better...

- Our purpose is to save lives, empower our colleagues, to enrich our communities.
- Our vision is to protect lives by being the UK's leading manufacturer and distributor of medical devices.
- Our Values are Accountability, Honesty, and Continuous improvement.

The Role

Working as part of a team but with specific accountability for the procurement of one of the biggest spend categories, you will play a pivotal role in shaping our global sourcing strategy, ensuring the quality and sustainability of our direct material supply chain. This role offers the chance to drive innovation, collaborate with suppliers, and contribute to being the UK's leading, employee-owned, manufacturer and distributor, of single-use sterile and non-sterile Ward & Theatre Consumables, and Custom Procedure Packs.

A Day in the Life:

- Management of all aspects of procurement and supplier selection within the allocated categories to support the delivery of the sales plans.
- Establish and maintain a supplier performance monitoring and measurement system in conjunction with existing systems, working closely with the finance and costing teams in terms of price changes.
- Responsible for Procurement of services and CAP-EX requirements.
- To negotiate pricing with suppliers and put in place long-term agreements or other appropriate contractual terms.
- Managing market observations, tenders, sourcing and defining clear category strategies from a global supply base.
- Ensure all suppliers adhere to complex quality and regulatory requirements.
- Maintain accurate Procurement master data files.
- Interface with Sales, Manufacturing, Planning, Regulatory and Quality functions to ensure that the Procurement process runs smoothly.

Vital Requirements

- CIPS qualification (or equivalent) or working towards
- Experience in buying/Procurement, merchandise, and supply chain roles ideally in a highly regulated environment.
- Experience working with SAP or a comparable ERP system is required
- Ability to work cross-functionally and collaborate with engineering, manufacturing, planning, and regulatory/quality teams to ensure timely throughput and proper prioritisation of materials.
- You will be commercially aware.