### Healthcare storage

Solutions for NHS trusts and healthcare organisations using the NHS Supply Chain framework







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# LINK 51 STORAGE PRODUCTS FOR THE NHS SUPPLY CHAIN

Saving NHS trusts time and money in storage products specification

Purchasing storage equipment through the NHS Supply Chain 'Office Furniture Solutions' agreement (Contract Reference: 2013/S 064-107384) can save health professionals valuable time and money. It also gives peace of mind in guaranteeing you are ordering reliable, quality storage systems.

Link 51 are an approved supplier to this framework for Mobile and Fixed Shelving and Metal Storage (Filing Products and Lockers).

If you haven't used a framework agreement like this before and would like to know more about how it works, or if you simply want to know what Link 51 products are available, this document is design to help you utilise this procurement channel effectively.

#### Benefits of using this framework agreement are:

- A wide and complete range of office furniture products
- Additional services available including delivery, installation and removal of waste packaging
- Cost saving opportunities available
- Volume pricing and mini-competitions available
- Full legal due diligence on flammability and legislative issues
- Quality products that are suitable for use in healthcare environments
- All products adhere to the very latest BS/EN/ISO standards





The wide range of Link 51 metal storage products available through this framework includes shelving and lockers treated with BioCote® protection, while design room layout and installation support services can also be offered.

This direct framework agreement allows you to order the products locally from your chosen supplier, giving the maximum flexibility with the security of national standards and OJEU compliant purchasing processes in place.

### **NHS Supply Chain**

Framework Agreement for the Supply of Office Furniture Solutions Reference Number 2013/S 064-107384 Healthcare storage requirements are vast and complex. Each environment requires medical cabinets, storage for medical records and equipment, uniform storage and much more. Every hospital and medical department has its own unique requirements and challenges and that's why every storage solution needs to be tailored around these needs to achieve the best solution possible.

Link 51 has over 60 years' experience in the design, manufacture and installation of storage projects and changing rooms. We offer a free and extended service to assist in ensuring each project satisfies your specific requirements.



#### **Free Site Survey**

The working environment must be carefully planned and designed in order to ensure the floorspace available is being put to optimum use.

To make this happen, Link 51 provide a free site survey and advice service. Our professional teams bring years of experience to every site, often providing solutions which may not initially appear obvious but which improve the facility immensely.

#### **Project Management**

From the initial briefing and site surveys, through detailed design proposals, to manufacture, installation and final commissioning, our project management teams are structured in a flexible way so as to service the varied storage requirements of our customers. Experienced personnel co-ordinate the disciplines and trades essential to the successful installation of equipment, all working to achieve the best practical solution for our clients.



#### Installation

Correct installation is as important as correct product specification. To ensure your storage system is set up safely, efficiently and in a manner that ensures its continued proper use, our experienced installation teams are available to complete any required work, removing the potential drain on customer resources.

#### **After Sales Service**

Every site eventually needs maintenance. We provide a complete service option for all projects. Encompassing a regular review of the site, identifying where products require replacement as well as offering advice on site extensions. This invaluable service offers a unique benefit to extend the life and correct use of installations substantially.

Proven antibacterial protection that actively reduces levels of microbes on surfaces - for a more hygienic workplace.

#### **BioCote® Antimicrobial Technology**

All of our lockers and shelving are finished with a BioCote® antimicrobial powder coating. BioCote® technology minimises the risk of cross-contamination and is effective against a wide range

of bacteria and fungi including Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA), Aspergillus niger,

Streptococcus faecalis, Salmonella enteritidis, Escherichia colio 0157 and Listeria monocytogenes. The BioCote® silver ion-based technology reduces levels of bacteria on treated surfaces by 99.9% in just two hours.

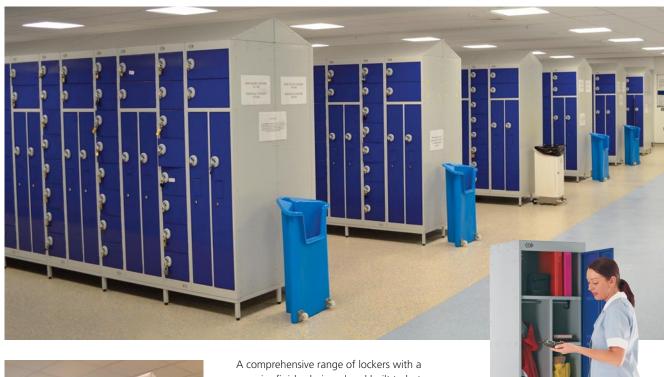
#### The Power of Silver

Silver, in the form of silver ions, is the active ingredient utilised in BioCote®. Silver ion technology has a variety of beneficial properties, making it an ideal alternative to synthetic, organic chemicals. They include:

- Non-toxic.
- Naturally occurring, environmentallyfriendly and sustainable.
- Will not break down, wear off, leak or leach from surfaces.
- Antimicrobial effectiveness will not reduce over time: BioCote® will retain its antimicrobial efficiency for the lifetime of a product.

### LOCKER SOLUTIONS AND GARMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

After decades of supplying personal storage solutions for use in medical environments, we've established ourselves as the UK's leading provider of NHS and healthcare lockers.





Sloping Tops prevent litter being left on locker tops and help keep locker rooms clean and tidy. Sloping tops are essential in hygiene sensitive locations such as hospitals.



Freestanding or integrated changing room benches and hook board systems ensure changing areas have all the necessary facilities to create a comfortable and functional changing room experience.

A comprehensive range of lockers with a superior finish, designed and built to last. Lockers meet the testing requirements of the British Standard for Clothes Lockers BS 4680:1996 'Standard Duty'.

An array of lock options, colours, compartment configurations and accessories are available making the these lockers truly versatile.

Our workplace lockers benefit from all of the features of our Standard Duty Locker range with the added advantage of additional shelves, compartments and hanging rails. They are perfect as uniform lockers where the separation of workwear from personal items and clothing is required.





# Our range of small item lockers allows for the secure storage of any small item including mobile phones.

The locker units are ideal for mounting on walls to ensure items which may need to be left or are not permitted within areas are securely stored.

These lockers are also available in the In-Charge<sup>TM</sup> locker range which offers the added benefit of being able to charge mobile phones and small electrical appliances while storing them in a secure locker compartment.

These lockers deter the risk of opportunistic theft while providing the benefits of a mobile phone charging station.

The issue of managing workplace clothing, often via third party laundries, is an essential part of hygiene procedure. Our garment lockers separate clean and used clothing helping to maintain a

hygienic working environment.

Our garment dispenser lockers offer individual access for each worker to freshly laundered clothing. Compartment doors are inset within the main full height door, which remains locked. Providing resupply of laundered clothing is quick and easy with these clothes lockers, as opening the full height door allows convenient access to all individual compartments in one.

Not only do our garment lockers dispense clothing, but they also allow for the collection of used workwear at the end of a day or shift. Workers simply post their used garments through the adjacent or combined collection locker; these items then collect in a laundry bag supplied by the laundry service.



### LIBRARY AND MEDICAL RECORDS STORAGE

Link 51 has a wealth of experience in the design of systems which provide access to all kind of stored information, from periodicals and reference books in the office through to conventional filed medical records.



With a choice of contemporary systems including cantilever and post shelving, we can provide the perfect solution to the storage of your medical reference material. Offering clear access for easy identification and selection of books all our systems come with a wide range of accessories. There is also the option to add end panels and cladding to create a more aesthetically pleasing environment.

#### Save or create space through efficient storage management



Based on a nominal room size of 5.5 x 4 metres, 32 four drawer filing cabinets would provide approximately 76 linear metres of filing.



Mobile shelving increases the filing capacity to 205 linear metres. When a document is required the particular shelving bay is identified and an adjacent aisle created by moving the mobile shelving units apart.



Alternatively Mobile shelving can reduce the space required for storage. Up to 50% of the floor space can be released for other uses when compared with filing cabinets and 38% more with static shelving.



We have experience of accommodating all types of materials including Lloyd George storage boxes and X-rays.

### Efficient storage means efficient retrieval. That's why every Link 51 storage solution is designed to offer optimum access while maximising available space.

With the need to file and consult high volumes of patient and medical records on a regular basis, the healthcare profession presents a unique storage challenge; one which Link 51 is meeting at hospitals and healthcare establishments throughout the UK, with a wide range of products and systems, all designed to facilitate storage and retrieval of important documents.

A range of both mobile and static shelving systems offer the versatility to create storage facilities tailored to specific needs, particularly in situations where space is at a premium.









# ON-WARD, THEATRE AND PHARMACY STORAGE

With limited storage space and the constant need for fast access to vital consumables on-ward, storage has a vital role to play in the day to day running of any busy hospital.

Link 51's storage products are designed to maximise the available space within the hospital wards storage areas as well as providing fast and efficient storage for ward consumables.

Our solutions allow easy access to the stored items whilst allowing materials management to refill and clearly label all the items.

Our range of shelving, lockable cupboards, plastic drawers and small parts solutions offer infinite configurations to meet your specific requirements.



We can also offer hospitals HTM71 powder coated shelving, designed specifically to accommodate medical trays and with a high load capacity of up to 120kg per bay, the HTM71 shelving system is more than robust enough to exceed the requirements placed on it by today's demanding clinical environments. Optional castors allow for the smooth movement of units, ensuring easy access for cleaning of floors etc.





We have a range of static and mobile shelving CSSU storage options to meet your requirements.





For the busy Pharmacy, where accurate location of drugs and other consumables is critical, the correct choice of shelving significantly reduces the use of floor space for storage.





Pharmacies are required to stock a wide variety of drugs and equipment which needs to be accessed quickly and easily to service customer demand.

The range of medication which must be stored and the demand on pharmacies is only set to increase as issues such as rising obesity levels continue to affect people across the UK.

The storage solution specified for pharmacies is often overlooked as a standard purchase, however the correct design can increase storage levels in the same or even a smaller footprint, increase access rates and deliver flexibility as the items being stored change or the order of storage needs to be altered for access reasons.



## GENERAL HEALTHCARE STORAGE SOLUTIONS



The need in healthcare organisations for stocks of a wide variety of medical and non-medical supplies and equipment requires multi-purpose storage facilities on site.

Our extensive range of shelving, cupboards, racking and workbenches means we are ideally placed to deliver the right solution to your specific requirement. Everything from a office cupboard to catering equipment and supplies, from linen and other hotel services to maintenance stores.

Our experience does not just stop within the hospital environment. We also have extensive knowledge of Healthcare Distribution warehouse design, delivering cost effective, flexible and integrated solutions into the supply chain. This enables bulk delivered supplies to be picked, packed and despatched to individual hospitals and locations, enabling authorities to maximise buying and logistics operations.



We offer a versatile and robust range of steel cupboards providing secure storage in the workplace. Cupboards meet the stringent requirements of BS EN 14073:2004 (Parts 1, 2 & 3) (office furniture, storage furniture) and BS EN 14074:2004 (office furniture).



Hazardous substances should be locked away in a secure facility when not in use. Our wide range of storage cabinets meets the regulatory requirements surrounding use of these materials.











### **LINK 51: ABOUT US**



Link 51, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Whittan Group, is the UK's largest manufacturer and supplier of steel shelving, pallet racking and lockers. The company offers a comprehensive range of products and services to fulfil the requirements of storage management in every type of organisation, large or small.

Link 51 is based around its manufacturing sites – Pallet Racking Systems and Lockers at separate locations in Telford in Shropshire, and Shelving and Storage at Brierley Hill in the West Midlands.

Established in 1951, they have more than sixty years' experience and in this time the company has gained a wealth of experience and expertise in providing storage solutions across the UK and also worldwide, via the company's international distributor network, Link International, and licensee companies.





Our locker operation, has one of the world's largest manufacturing facilities for personal property storage lockers, with the capacity to manufacture up to 3,000 lockers per week.

Our vast product range caters for all storage requirements, from Pallet Racking for warehouse environments, to heavy duty, static and mobile shelving and small parts storage for offices or stock rooms, and lockers - Link 51 offer it all.

The excellent quality of our UK based manufacturing processes and products is matched by our commitment to providing a wide array of services and comprehensive support to all our customers.











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