

News Release

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Re: **Sustainability Implementation |Management Platform & Learning Environment (SIMPLE) to Launch**

The environmental team at Support Services Partnership South West London (SSP SWL) will soon launch an ambitious new online environmental management platform called SIMPLE.

Sustainability Implementation Management Platform & Learning Environment (SIMPLE), has been designed to meet our clients requirements of gaining a more detailed understanding of their environmental performance. It has also been designed to meet NHS QIPP (Quality, Innovation, Productivity and Prevention) initiatives.

The platform will provide automation to our previously manual data collection from a range of sources including automatic utility meter readings (AMR) and waste collection rotas. Data will be collated, converted into carbon emissions and charted thus bringing visibility, clarity and granularity to this wealth of environmental performance data. In addition to supporting SSP's environmental reporting, this will enable the identification of best practice for each organisation. Individual sites will be set challenging, yet realistic carbon emission reduction targets (targets to be agreed and set following staff engagement) and supported to help achieve them, resulting in measurable cost savings through repeatable actions. Social networking features in the platform will enable site leads to suggest ideas, discuss implementation initiatives and share learning and progress.

Further details on SIMPLE will be published nearer to the launch date in mid-August.

Who are SSP?

Support Services Partnership (SSP) south west London are a non-profit making NHS shared services organisation, that provides facilities support to community service organisations in south west London including six Primary Care Trusts (PCTs). We have recently become part of Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust (GSTT). You can view our website at: www.sspswl.nhs.uk.