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Trusts in the North West scoring highest for day case surgery productivity are CHKS clients

Four out of the five top scoring trusts in the North West for clinical productivity in day case surgery are CHKS clients. The trusts are Mid Cheshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust, Blackpool, Fylde and Wyre NHS Foundation Trust and Southport & Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust. In the last quarter of 2007/8 the efficiency savings generated by the four trusts amounted to £198,000.

All the trusts are using Signpost, the CHKS corporate reporting and clinical management system, to highlight improvements that can be made in booking methods and identify where list scheduling may be affecting day case performance.

Paul Robinson, Head of Market Intelligence, CHKS Group said: "There are 25 procedures, identified by the Audit Commission, that trusts should be aiming to carry out as day cases. We are delighted that we have been able to help our clients in the North West achieve the highest levels of day case clinical productivity in the region."

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Notes to editors:

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