

Anti-Fraud, Bribery and Corruption, Money Laundering and Economic Crimes Statement

Easy Coast Community Healthcare CIC is committed to eliminating fraud, bribery and corruption, money laundering and other economic crimes within our organisation and protecting resources for health and care.

Fraud is an act of deception that is intended to make a financial gain or to cause a loss to another party. Bribery is generally defined as the giving or receiving of a financial or other advantage in exchange for improperly performing a relevant function or activity.

ECCH has a zero-tolerance approach to fraud, bribery and corruption, money laundering and other economic crimes and is committed to applying the highest standards of ethical conduct and behaviour, as well as having robust controls in place to prevent these. As well as staff, we also expect our suppliers, contractors and any associated persons to adhere to the same high standards.

Our dedicated policies and procedures set out our expectations and guidance for staff, contractors and anyone else working with or for us with regards to preventing fraud, bribery and corruption, money laundering and other economic crimes and raising concerns.

We ask all who have dealings with the company, as employees, agency staff, trading partners (contractors/suppliers), stakeholders, patients and any other associated persons, to help us in our fight against fraud, bribery and corruption and economic crimes and to contact us immediately if any concerns arise. No individual will suffer any detrimental treatment as a result of reporting reasonably held suspicions. The success of our anti-fraud, bribery and economic crime measures depends on everyone playing their part.

ECCH has an internal team where you can report concerns as well as contracting TIAA Limited to provide a counter fraud service. If you have any suspicions or concerns about fraud, bribery or economic crimes you can report them in confidence to the following:

- Counter Fraud Team:
Our Fraud Champion is Hannah Sewell, Head of Corporate Governance and Risk Management
- TIAA Ltd: Lisa George, Anti-Crime Specialist lisa.george@tiaa.co.uk or lisa.george4@nhs.net
- Alternatively, you report your concerns in confidence to the NHS Counter Fraud Authority online at <https://cfa.nhs.uk/reportfraud> or on 0800 028 4060.

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