

## Probo.CI



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## Partner for Change (No Beds) - 2018: EPP

## Introduction

**Environmentally Preferable Purchasing (EPP)** is an integral part of a facility's sustainability program and permeates almost every functional area of a hospital or healthcare facility. EPP questions are distributed throughout this application in different sections--so the end users of the products and services can answer the questions and indicate their progress in EPP in their departments. **Practice Greenhealth's EPP Specifications and Resources Guide** can provide staff with useful EPP tools and resources.

The questions below cover **EPP infrastructure and purchasing issues** not found elsewhere in the Award application.

## Infrastructure for EPP

- 1.** Did the facility engage with supply chain leadership on environmentally preferable purchasing activities at the **facility level** in 2017?
- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

- 1.a** Please describe how the facility has **engaged supply chain leadership** at the **facility level** and any resulting actions. (Use concrete examples.)

Please indicate your key **supply chain contact** at the **facility**:

<b>Name</b>	<b>1.b</b> <input type="text"/>
<b>Title</b>	<b>1.c</b> <input type="text"/>
<b>Email</b>	<b>1.d</b> <input type="text"/>

- 2.** Is the facility part of a **health system**?
- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

**2.a** Has the facility **engaged with supply chain leadership** on environmentally preferable purchasing (EPP) at the **corporate/system** level?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

**2.a.a** Please describe how the facility has **engaged supply chain leadership** at the **corporate/system** level and any resulting actions. (Use concrete examples.)

Please indicate your key **system-level supply chain contact**:

<b>Name</b>	<b>2.a.b</b> <input type="text"/>
<b>Title</b>	<b>2.a.c</b> <input type="text"/>
<b>Email</b>	<b>2.a.d</b> <input type="text"/>

**3.** Has the facility introduced **supply chain staff** to the **Standardized Environmental Questions for Medical Products**?

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No

**4.** Has a senior leadership or **C-Suite representative** signed Practice Greenhealth's **Environmentally Preferable Purchasing (EPP) Pledge**?

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No

Learn more about Practice Greenhealth's **Environmentally Preferable Purchasing (EPP) Pledge**.

**5.** Has the facility made the evaluation of purchases **based on environmental criteria** a responsibility or deliverable within an existing job role?

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No

**6.** Does the facility have an **EPP policy** that identifies **specific environmental attributes of concern** that are being considered when making **purchasing decisions**?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

**6.a** Please attach EPP policy or language:

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**6.b** Please check all attributes included in EPP policy:

- ☐ Energy Efficiency
- ☐ Water Efficiency
- ☐ Excessive Packaging
- ☐ Recycled Content of Product
- ☐ Recyclability
- ☐ Avoiding Chemicals of Concern
- ☐ Reusable (vs. Single-Use) Products
- ☐ Waste Minimization
- ☐ Whether the product becomes or generates hazardous waste
- ☐ End of life product management (eg. take back)
- ☐ Green Building products
- ☐ Other

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**7.** If your facility **specifies EPP implementation strategies** in a resource other than your EPP policy, please attach.

## Education and Training on EPP

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**8.** Did the facility offer any **employee education** on environmentally preferable purchasing in 2017?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

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**8.a** Please describe any **employee education** offered in 2017 on environmental purchasing (i.e., newsletter article, training, or guidance documents).

## Contracting For Environmentally Preferable Products

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**9.** Did the facility/supply chain department set any organizational EPP goals for 2017?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

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**9.a** Please describe any organizational EPP goals from 2017 and indicate whether the organization achieved them:

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**10.** Does the facility include **environmental considerations** in the sourcing process (such as through the RFI/RFPs, value analysis, or data provided by your GPO)?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

**10.a** Please describe how the facility includes environmental considerations in the sourcing process:

## GPO Purchasing

**11.** To which GPO does the facility belong?

**12.** Does the facility have a representative on a **GPO Advisory Board or Committee** that makes **contracting decisions**? (with an external GPO or your own GPO)

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No  
☐ Not Applicable because we don't use a Group Purchasing Organization

**12.a** Name of representative on a GPO Advisory Board:

**12.b** Title of representative on a GPO Advisory Board:

**13.** Does the facility provide its GPO **comments or regular feedback** about its EPP needs (through a sustainability committee or other forum)?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No  
☐ Not Applicable because we don't use a Group Purchasing Organization

**13.a** Please describe engagement with GPO on EPP needs:

**13.b** Has the facility's feedback to its GPO resulted in any improved/additional EPP products or services offered?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

**13.b.a** Please explain:

## Direct Purchasing

**14.** Please indicate which of the following **product or service categories** were purchased with EPP considerations in 2017?

- ☐ Surgery and OR products
- ☐ Purchased Services
- ☐ Lab Products
- ☐ Nursing Products
- ☐ Clinical Imaging
- ☐ Food
- ☐ Facilities and Maintenance
- ☐ Building Materials
- ☐ Office Materials
- ☐ Pharmacy
- ☐ IT/Telecom
- ☐ Senior Living
- ☒ Other

**14.a** Please describe other categories:

**15.** Please list the top 3-5 products, services, or contracts that included **environmental attributes** in purchasing considerations in the last **12 months**.

**16.** Has the facility **engaged suppliers** in its EPP work?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

**16.a** Please describe **supplier engagement activities** with an EPP focus conducted in the last 12 months and results.

**16.b** Please attach documentation:

## Measuring EPP Performance

**17.** Does the facility **track and report metrics** regarding **green spend** (what is spent on environmentally preferable products)?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

**17.a** Please explain how the facility tracks green spend:

**18.** Does the organization purchase copy paper made with **post-consumer recycled content**?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

Table A below tracks spend on copy paper with varying levels of post-consumer recycled content. Please indicate the annual spend on copy paper for each of the different post-consumer recycled content levels.

The **Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines (CPG)** require federal agencies to purchase at least paper with at least 30% post-consumer recycled content. Other applicable standards include:

- **Ecologo/UL 2771 Standard for Sustainable Paper Products**
- **Green Seal 07 Standard for Printing and Writing Paper**
- **FSC Recycled**

This table is NEW in 2018, and is **unscored** for this awards year.

**Table A. Green Spend on Copy Paper**

Percent Recycled Content	Annual Spend
0%	<b>18.a</b> <input type="text"/>
10-29%	<b>18.b</b> <input type="text"/>
30-49%	<b>18.c</b> <input type="text"/>
50-69%	<b>18.d</b> <input type="text"/>
70-89%	<b>18.e</b> <input type="text"/>
90-100%	<b>18.f</b> <input type="text"/>
<b>Total Green Spend on Office Paper</b>	<b>18.g</b> <input type="text" value="0"/>
<b>Total spend on ALL Office Paper</b>	<b>18.h</b> <input type="text"/>
<b>Percent Green Spend on Office Paper</b>	<b>18.i</b> <input type="text" value="0"/>

**18.j** Has the facility limited options within its **purchasing system/catalog** to ensure that all white copy paper purchased contains at least 30% post-consumer recycled content?

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No

**19.** Has the facility purchased **EPEAT**-registered products?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

**EPEAT** is an environmental product rating system that evaluates and rates high-performance electronics. Learn more at: [EPEAT](#).

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**19.a** Which of the following **EPEAT product types** does the facility purchase? Check all that apply:

- ☐ EPEAT-registered computers, monitors and laptops  
☐ EPEAT-registered imaging equipment (copiers, printers, fax, MFD, scanners, digital duplicators, mailing machines)  
☐ EPEAT-registered televisions  
☐ EPEAT-registered mobile phones

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**20.** Did the facility work with its suppliers to reduce the environmental impact of **supply transport and deliveries**?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

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**20.a** Please select all strategies the facility used in 2017 to reduce the environmental impact of supply deliveries:

- ☐ Request vendors become an EPA SmartWay Shipper Partner  
☐ Use alternative-fueled vehicles for supply delivery  
☐ Use low emitting or fuel efficient vehicles for supply delivery  
☐ Reduced days of delivery (e.g., no deliveries on Monday)  
☐ Implemented No Idling Policy  
☐ Other

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**20.b** Please describe any **measurable results** related to reducing the environmental impact of deliveries:

## Successes

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Please describe any **successful or innovative EPP project(s)** (such as staff training, contracting process improvement, supplier engagement strategy, measurement, policy strategy, and improved purchasing of products/services, etc.) Feel free to provide commentary and/or attach a file.

Please Note: It's important not to leave this section blank. Because supply chain is such an integral part of an organization's sustainability program, responses to this section may be similar to those listed on other pages of this award application--but should focus on supply chain's role in the success.

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**21.** EPP Success 1: Please describe

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**22.** Please attach any additional documentation (optional) for EPP Success 1:

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**23.** EPP Success 2: Please describe

**24.** Please attach any additional documentation (optional) for EPP Success 2:

**25.** EPP Success 3: Please describe

**26.** Please attach any additional documentation (optional) for EPP Success 3:

**27.** Did the facility write any internal or external articles or documentation describing your EPP successes (such as **EPP Case Studies**)?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No

**27.a** If yes, please attach any documentation describing your EPP successes.

## Summary of EPP Activities from Other Categories

Environmentally Preferable Purchasing (EPP) is a critical component of nearly every environmentally preferred product and process within a facility, and is integral to the success of a strong sustainability program. Below is a **compilation of your facility's answers to EPP-related questions** from other category pages of this application. **You do not need to answer any questions in this section--** the answers will be brought over and displayed here to illustrate the **strength and breadth of environmentally preferable purchasing** across your facility.

**Table B. Summary of EPP Activities from Other Categories**

Category	Question	Response
Waste	Has the facility implemented a <b>Reusable Sharps Container</b> program?	<b>28.</b> Yes
Waste	Has the facility established a contract with a <b>certified electronics waste/recycling vendor</b> that is <b>certified to e-Stewards</b> (or subcontractors that use e-Stewards certified vendors) for legal and environmentally responsible electronics (or e-waste) management and recycling?	<b>29.</b> Yes
Chemicals	Does the facility have <b>chemical or purchasing policies</b> that identify and avoid <b>specific chemicals of concern</b> contained in products that may be hazardous to human health and the environment?	<b>30.</b> Yes
Chemicals	Does the facility utilize any <b>Green Seal or UL ECOLOGO-certified</b> cleaning products?	<b>31.</b> Yes
Chemicals	Has the facility eliminated <b>DEHP and PVC</b> from at least <b>two</b> product lines?	<b>32.</b> Yes
Chemicals	Does the facility require furniture to meet an	<b>33.</b>



	environmental standard/certification or obtain LEED HC credit?	Yes
Greening the OR	Has your facility implemented a single-use device (SUD) reprocessing program by an FDA-approved third party reprocessor?	34. Yes
Greening the OR	Does the facility <b>purchase reusable surgical items</b> where environmentally and clinically preferable?	35. Yes
Food	Does the facility preferentially <b>purchase</b> meat and poultry produced <b>without the use of routine, non-therapeutic antibiotics</b> ?	36. Yes
Food	Has the facility <b>increased healthy beverage options</b> in at least 3 of the following: cafeteria/retail, patient, vending and catering?	37. Yes
Food	Has the facility purchased locally grown and produced foods? Local is defined as grown/raised and processed less than 250 miles from the facility.	38. Yes
Food	Has the facility purchased sustainably grown and produced foods? Sustainable is defined as a product that has an allowed sustainability certification or label claim in 2017.	39. Yes
Food	Is the facility purchasing <b>certified commercially compostable food serviceware</b> (such as certified by Biodegradable Products Institute (BPI)) where single-use/disposable items are necessary?	40. Yes
Food	Does the facility purchase and use <b>recyclable to-go containers</b> ?	41. Yes
Energy	Does the facility generate or purchase renewable energy?	42. 0
Energy	Does the facility <b>purchase energy-efficient equipment</b> that is <b>EnergyStar</b> labeled?	43. 0
Water	Does the facility purchase <b>US EPA WaterSense-labeled</b> devices and equipment?	44. 0
Climate	Does the facility purchase <b>green* vehicles</b> for transportation purposes?	45. 0
Climate	Has the organization integrated any green/sustainable aspects into <b>Master Specifications</b> for all new buildings/renovations?	46. 0
Green Building	Does the organization require its designers, builders and contractors to have experience with LEED or other green building rating systems?	47. 0
Green Building	Has the organization added language to contract specifications that building contractors will follow LEED or GGHC requirements and provide documentation?	48. 0
Green Building	Has the facility consciously selected flooring, wall coverings, paints, materials, finishes, furniture or exterior materials that avoid chemicals of concern?	49. 0

