

# Are you ready for the levy ?

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## Quick update from this morning

- Employers will register for the levy account in January 2017
- First funds appear in account in late May 2017
- Can commit to apprenticeship starts from the beginning of May
- Funds will automatically leave the digital account on a monthly basis
- •The cost will be spread over the lifetime of the apprenticeship
- •We will hold back 20% of the total cost, to be paid on completion of the apprenticeship.

# Funding Bands

- **Every apprenticeship will be placed in a funding band** The upper limit of each funding band will cap the maximum
- **Employers can negotiate the best price for the training they require**

# Additional Support

- 16- 18 uplift
- STEM Support
- Additional support in areas of disadvantage
- Small employers
- English and Maths £471 each qualification paid to the education provider

# Apprenticeship Levy Procurement Processes



# Procurement and the Levy

If the total contract value is likely to be under £589k then the NHS organisation can then conduct a fairly simple quick tender to establish the provider

If it is above the threshold (£589k) then this is caught by the regulations of procurement via the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU)

# Procurement and the Levy

Procurement processes vary across NHS organisations

Example:

- Up to £20,000 – no quotes required
- £20,000 to £50,000 a minimum of three competitive written quotations
- £50,000 - £589,000 formal tendering process
- £589,000+ tender via the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU)

# Procurement and the Levy

Is there a need for a procurement framework?

Some Trusts will have a levy in excess of the OJEU procurement level of £589,000 - Would you have to undertake a full OJEU procurement? This would be resource and time heavy.





# Group work 35 minutes 10 min feedback

- Would a regional or county procurement framework for some of the larger NHS Trusts be a solution?
- What work have you completed so far, and are you willing to share across the SW?
- What further support, will you require to help you're maximise your levy return?
- Who will be the levy champion for **Finance** in your organisation