

NHS Supply Chain Supply Routes and Lead Times

Information for Tissue Viability, Practice and Nursing Homes Nurses based in BaNES and Wiltshire who use the Formeo platform for ordering dressings products from NHS Supply Chain

NHS Supply Chain manages the procurement of thousands of products vital to the everyday running of trusts, hospitals and healthcare organisations. To ensure you receive the products required, NHS Supply Chain use the following delivery methods:

Stock

These products are stocked in their national and regional distribution centres. They are able to deliver within a standard 48 hours lead time for all products, subject to preferred delivery days.

eDirect

eDirect enables NHS Supply Chain to offer products we do not currently stock in our warehouses. eDirect products are ordered through NHS Supply Chain (via Formeo) but are delivered directly to you by the supplier or a courier. Some products have longer lead times than the standard 48 hours so will be delivered by the supplier or courier subject to the confirmed lead time.

Blue Diamond

Blue Diamond products are ordered through NHS Supply Chain (via Formeo) but are not stocked in their warehouses. They are delivered to NHS Supply Chain, consolidated with the rest of your order and will then be delivered to you. Some products have lead times longer than the standard 48 hours so will be delivered subject to your preferred delivery days and confirmed lead time.

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