



# Smarter Purchasing: An Overview

The Healthier Hospitals (HH) Smarter Purchasing Challenge provides the tools for hospitals to leverage their collective purchasing power to generate demand for healthier and safer products.

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## Why Is Smarter Purchasing Important For Hospitals?

The health care sector represents 17 percent of the U.S. marketplace



Some products marketed to the industry generate unnecessary waste, contain hazardous materials or use excessive energy



Adoption by the health care sector will drive growing availability & adoption of smarter products



## Committing To Smarter Purchasing With Healthier Hospitals

### Level 1

Commit to one of: Surgical kit review, single use device reprocessing, or greener electronics purchasing goals.

### Level 2

Commit to two of: Surgical kit review, single use device reprocessing, or greener electronics purchasing goals.

### Level 3

Commit to three of: Surgical kit review, single use device reprocessing, or greener electronics purchasing goals.

## Metrics For Success: Smarter Purchasing Measure Details

### Surgical Kit Review



Review & reformulate (where appropriate) at least 80 percent of total O.R. kit types.

### Single Use Device Reprocessing



Collect and purchase 20 percent reprocessed pulse oximeters & compression therapy devices compared to total.

### Greener Electronics



Specify, purchase, and report expenditures on greener electronics with a goal of 80 percent registered with EPEAT.