

# NHSP Invest in Hosted Oracle e-Business Suite Solution

NHS Professionals achieved full agency status in April 2004 and are making significant investments to support the next phase of their development. One of the major investments has been to implement new financials and procurement processes enabled by Oracle e-business suite.

In May 2004, NHS Professionals appointed BT to provide a hosted applications solution across the NHSnet for all four regions across the UK. The new IT investment has also enabled the creation of a single national accounting centre based in Leeds.

BT appointed their trusted Oracle partner - Praktis Solutions - with their proven track record in the Health sector to deliver the business and IT solution enabled by Oracle e-business suite. Praktis working with the NHSP business team led by Ian Millar – Finance Director – have implemented a core set of finance processes supported by Oracle e-business suite.

NHSP are already experiencing cost savings as they reduce their dependency upon local NHS Trust solutions and they have plans to reduce debt management levels by 30% by mid 2005. Linking with their key customers – NHS Trusts – they are looking to utilise the BT SPINE and the hosted Oracle e-business application platform to enable further integration in the future.

Oracle UK are already making plans to establish NHSP as a key reference site in the Health sector.



## About NHS Professionals

NHS Professionals is the national approach to managing and providing temporary staffing solutions to the NHS and one of a series of initiatives designed to strengthen and support the NHS workforce.

The NHS Plan recognises that the biggest constraint the NHS faces today is the shortage of human resources - doctors, nurses, therapists, scientists, technicians, IT and support staff who keep the NHS going day in and day out.

The challenge is clear - the NHS must recruit and retain sufficient staff to improve the flexibility and accessibility of services in a cost-effective way. NHS Professionals will help achieve that aim by investing in NHS staff and reducing our reliance on commercial agencies.

Staff who join NHS Professionals will have personal flexibility and control over the hours they work, as well as fair and supportive employment conditions that offer real job security and the confidence to build and develop their skills within the NHS.



### About Praktis Solutions Limited

Praktis Solutions is a leading e-business consultancy player in the Health Sector, providing business and IT solutions to Health Agencies and Trusts. Praktis Solutions are a trusted and quality implementation partner of Oracle, and have a deep understanding of the project and support life cycle. In 2004, Praktis successfully guided the Department of Health to implement a new Financials and Procurement back –office solution 'on time and within budget'. Praktis Solutions has a strong reputation in the Health Sector and continues to win new business with Health Agencies and NHS Trusts.

