

Press release

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**Anenta's healthcare waste management platform reaches finals of
National Recycling Awards**

Leading independent healthcare waste management company, Anenta, has successfully made it through to the finals of the National Recycling Awards for its online waste management platform, Vector. Having saved healthcare sector clients in excess of £5.6 million over the past five years, Anenta's proprietary technology, which manages contracts with waste collection services on behalf of clients, is seen as a front-runner in the Smart Systems (Efficiency) Award category.

In addition to saving clients' money, Vector's deployment of analytics and AI technology has also led to dramatic improvements in collection schedules and frequencies. Only recently, Anenta successfully reduced the amount of time community pharmacies have to wait for the delivery of ad-hoc collection services, cutting this from 7-10 working days to under two working days.

In addition to simplifying the ordering process for users and providing real-time tracking solutions, Vector identifies other opportunities for efficiencies and savings. By moving pharmacies from plastic collection units to cardboard lined boxes, for example, Anenta has saved NHS South East and London over £1m.

Combined with streamlining 'pre-acceptance' audits required by the Environment Agency, and managing compliance needs for GPs and Pharmacies, Vector reduces the number of hours clients need to spend on managing waste. In the South East region alone, streamlining audits

has saved pharmacies in excess of 14,000 hours per year, enabling them to keep their focus on delivering services.

Specialising in contract management and service delivery of clinical waste logistics and disposal, Anenta works for a multitude of clients in the healthcare sector including the NHS, Local Authorities and Care Homes.

Through its investment in Vector, costing more than £1 million to develop, Anenta has succeeded in improving efficiency, sustainability and financial administration of waste contracts across the UK, working for more than 8000 customers and managing over 246,000 collections every year.

Recognised for its ability to identify and match agreed waste service provisions against pricing, applicability, charges and quantities collected, Vector eliminates over-charging and contract creep by policing waste management contracts and suppliers. Previous to its development, flat charges for services, whether fulfilled or not, had cost the sector millions of pounds. Vector automatically verifies orders ensuring that NHS England only pays for contracted services.

Examining, analysing, checking and scrutinising every single billable item, Vector flags errant items on invoices. These are then disputed by Anenta on behalf of clients before payments are approved and made by the NHS authority, Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) or Care Homes. This approach saves vital client time and money, providing NHS England with a safety net that ensures waste management contracts are compliant and not prone to contract creep, which in turn protects the public purse.

Commenting on the NRA Smart Systems (Efficiency) Award shortlisting Graham Flynn, Managing Director of Anenta, said: "The shortlisting is a major achievement for Anenta. It recognises the many years our team have spent on the development of Vector, and our success in creating a level of transparency and openness between client and waste service providers, that was not previously available.

"Through our technology we provide total transparency throughout the service cycle, covering all contractual and compliance elements. By optimising service provision and stabilising pricing schedules at the same time as identifying shortfalls in service and inaccurate billing, we put

control back in the hands of our clients, returning savings to the sector worth millions of pounds each year, and freeing up front-line staff to focus their time on patients and clients.”

Graham added: “Through the deployment of smart technology, and the constant evolution of new solutions, we provide clients with a simple system that ensures best value with the minimum of hassle to our clients. We hope that our unrelenting drive to improve efficiency through the deployment of smart technology stands us in good stead at the awards.”

The winners of the NRA awards will be announced at the London Hilton on 15 December 2020.

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