

ELFS Business Services Customer Portal User Guide

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Please review the list of available services for your Trust (see above table of contents) before proceeding through this guidance, as only certain sections will be relevant for certain Trusts.

To enable ELFS to effectively manage your queries relating to Accounts Payable, Business Systems Support, Payroll, Pension and Expenses, all queries should be directed via our ELFS Customer Portal.

The benefits of using the portal include:

- ✓ Quick and easy logging of your query 24/7
- ✓ An FAQ section to facilitate self-service for generic queries
- ✓ Visibility of the status of your query through the whole process
- ✓ Ability to add additional information to an existing query, if necessary

Please also be aware that the portal will evolve over time with enhancements added to improve customer service and facilitate prompt first time resolution by the ELFS Team.

How to access the portal for the first time

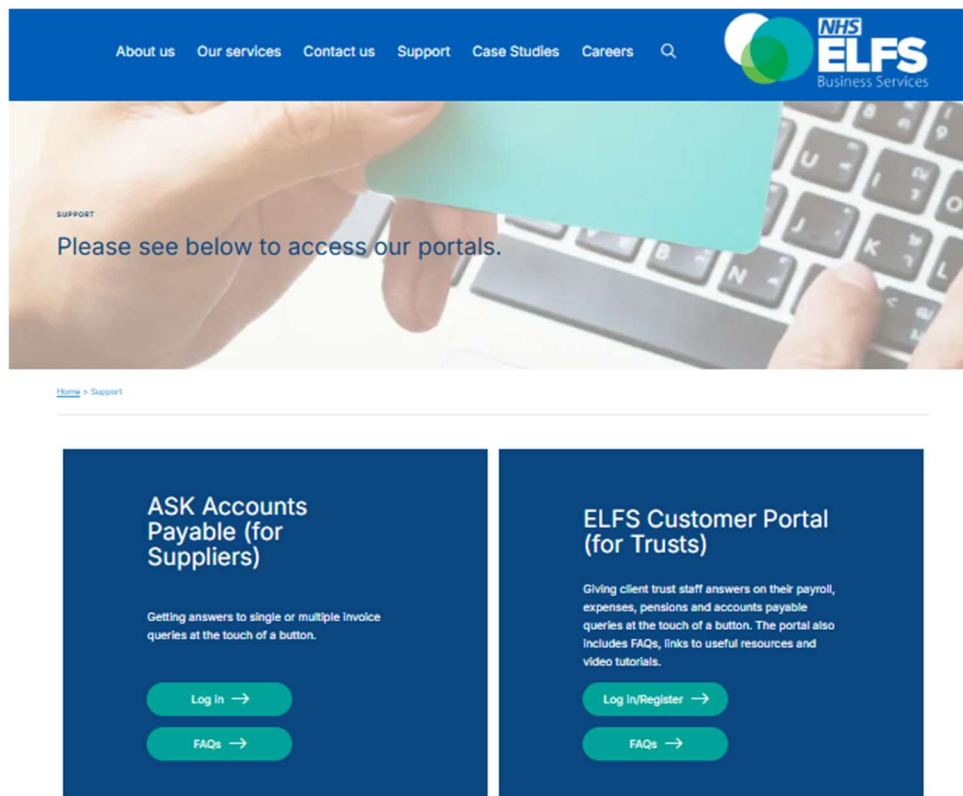
If you have received an email from ELFS Business Services informing you that you now have an ELFS Hornbill Customer Portal account, please click on the link provided in your email to set your portal password and login.

If you have self-registered for the ELFS Hornbill Customer Portal via the ELFS website, the Helpdesk team will get in touch with login instructions.

Accessing the portal once you have your account details

Visit <https://customer.hornbill.com/elfsservicedesk>

You can also access the portal from our website www.elfsnhs.co.uk, select 'Support' from the top of the screen and you will be presented with the option to login under 'ELFS Customer Portal':




Once you arrive at the screen below select 'Login'



Enter your Login ID, which is your trust email address, followed by your password:

Log in to



Hornbill Customer Portal

Please contact portal.queries@elfs.my servicedesk.com for issues with logging into the portal. If you are unsure on your login details please register for an account from the previous page.


Login Id

Password

[Forgot Password](#) [Log In](#)

Depending on whether 2-Factor-Authentication has been enabled for your account, you will then be asked to enter a verification code which will be sent to you via email.


Login Verification



A verification code has been sent to your email address, please enter the code here

[Back To Log In](#)

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Hornbill Login Verification

When prompted, enter the code below to finish authenticating with Hornbill


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Once you enter the verification code you will be directed to a screen similar to that shown below:




 Active

 All My Requests

 All My Services


TRUST - Payroll Portal

Payroll Portal for TRUST employees

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TRUST - Expenses Portal

Expenses Portal for TRUST employees

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TRUST - Pensions Portal

Pension Portal available for TRUST employee use only

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Finance - TRUST

From here you can log Accounts Payable requests, including Supplier Se...

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How to log a query

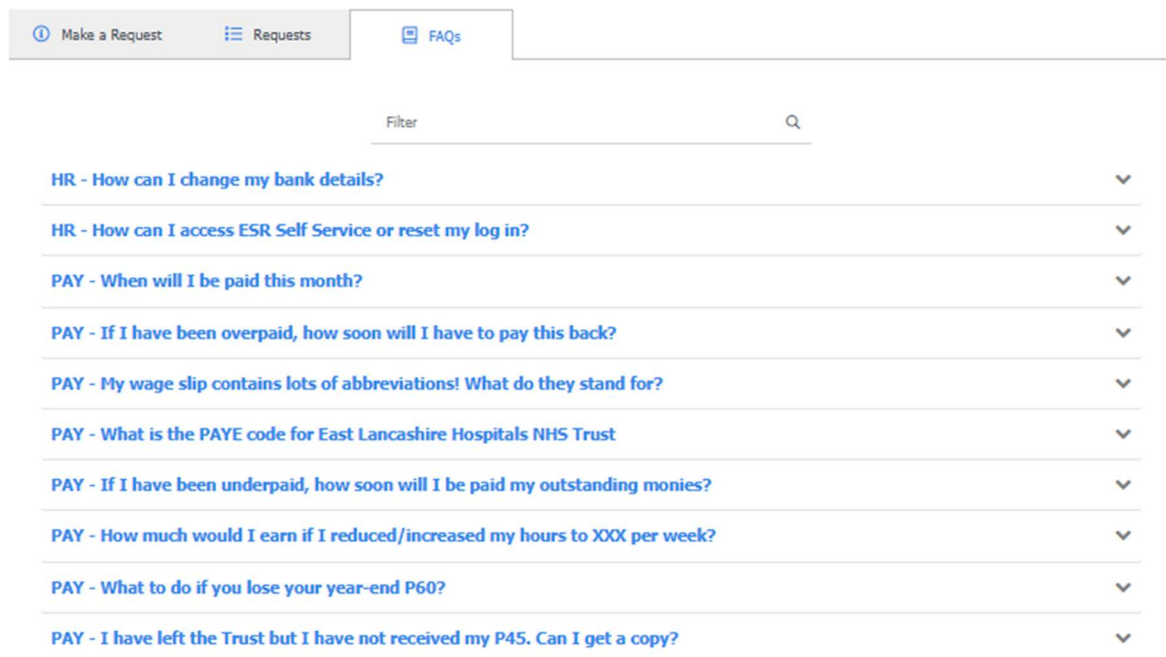
Logging a Payroll Query

To log a Payroll query via the portal, select your 'TRUST - Payroll' department on the 'All My Services' section.

Once in the relevant service portal you will be presented with the option to make a request as well as to view FAQs.



You may find the answer you are looking for in our FAQ section, so we recommend reviewing these before you log a query. Select the arrow to the right of the question to reveal the response:



Alternatively, you can type a key word(s) into the search field:



If after reviewing the FAQs you still need to raise a query select the 'Make a Request' tab, then 'Payroll requests':

Make a Request

Requests

FAQs

Payroll requests
 Please complete this form for any payroll related queries (e.g. questions about pay, updating bank details, opting out of the
[Show More](#)

Maternity Calculator
 Please have access to your payslips at hand.
 Please be aware this is an estimate and the output is
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You will see the following prompt - select 'Raise Request' to continue:

Payroll requests
 Please complete this form for any payroll related queries (e.g. questions about pay, updating bank details, opting out of the pensions schemes)

Raise Request

Close

You will then be presented with a series of questions, select the relevant response, followed by 'Next' to move to the next section:

[Home](#) / [My Services](#) / [ELFS Testing Service](#) / [Payroll requests](#) / [Log Request](#)

Cancel

Type of User *
☒ I am an Employee (personal pay enquiry)
☐ I am a Manager (enquiring on behalf of another employee)
☐ I am NHS Trust HR Team

Which Trust does this submission relate to? *

East Lancashire Hospitals Trust

Next

Form Prompt

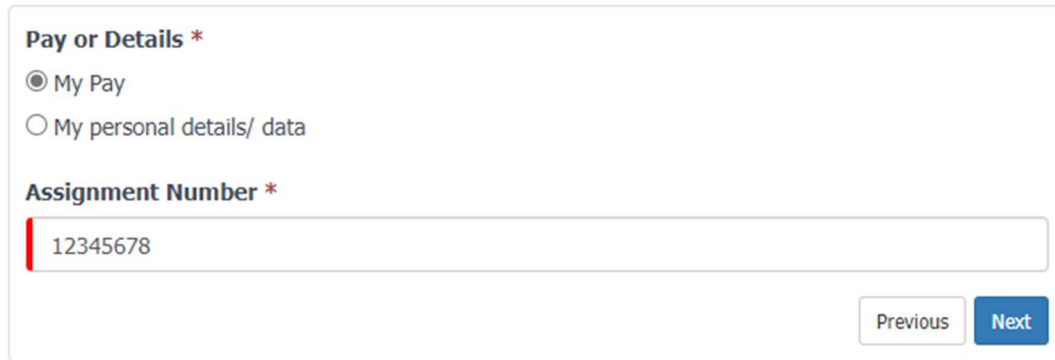
Type of User
 I am an Employee (personal pay enquiry)

Which Trust does this submission relate to?
 East Lancashire Hospitals Trust

The box on the right-hand side of the screen records your responses as you move through the form.

You will need your Assignment Number; this is required as per our Data Protection Policy and to ensure the Payroll Team can easily locate your ESR record to link your query/complete any change requested.

If you do not know your Assignment Number, this can be found on your payslip or in your ESR Portal under 'My Pay Details'.



Pay or Details *

☒ My Pay

☐ My personal details/ data

Assignment Number *

12345678

Previous Next

Once you have responded to the questions you may be asked to provide additional detail about your query. Please provide as much information as possible as this will help us to process your query more efficiently.

You may also have the option to upload any files relating to your query e.g. emails, letters, wage slips.

Supported file types include PDF, Word, Excel, Images (e.g. JPG) and Email .MSG. Please ensure you wait until you have seen your file(s) have been uploaded before pressing Finish.

Once you select 'Finish' a screen will appear showing your Incident Number (IN).



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Post Something New...

This screen will also show the details of your query, the questions you answered and a timeline tracking the query itself.

Response times can vary depending on the type of query, Payroll, Pension or Expenses requests are typically responded to within 3-5 working days. However, if the query meets the criteria agreed with your trust for an urgent response, this will be updated and handled accordingly.

Urgent queries are handled within 1 working day (not calendar) and queries that match these criteria are normally those where an individual has received no pay or is experiencing Financial Constraint due to a mistake within their payslip, whether this be a Trust or Payroll mistake.

Logging an Accounts Payable query

To log an Accounts Payable query via the portal, select the 'Finance - Trust' department on the 'All My Services' section.

Once in the Finance - Trust service portal you will be presented with the option to make a request.



Finance - TRUST

From here you can log Accounts Payable requests, including Supplier Setups, Manual Payments, Escalations and Queries.



Available

Make a Request

Requests



AP - Accounts Payable Query

Click here to log an AP Query



AP - Supplier Setups

Use this form if you would like to submit

Show More



AP - Manual Payments

Manual Payments to be added to the scheduled trust payment run



AP - Escalations

Please use this option if you have previously raised a request and have the reference id available

Select the relevant option to log a request. For this example, we will log an 'AP - Accounts Payable Query'.

Cancel

Summary

Description

Next

Please enter the request details



Summary:

Description:

You will then be asked to provide a summary and a description of your request. Please provide as much information as possible as this will help us to process your query more efficiently.

Once you have provided this information, select 'Next' to move to the next section.

◀ Cancel

Please select the Trust *

East Lancashire Hospitals Trust

Birmingham Community Healthcare NHS Trust

Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

East Lancashire Hospitals Trust

Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust

Hertfordshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Hull and East Yorkshire NHS Trust

Summary: Accounts Payable query ✓

Please select the Trust ✓

Please select the Trust

East Lancashire Hospitals Trust

You will then be required to select the relevant NHS trust that your query relates to.
Select 'Next' to move the next section.

◀ Cancel

Choose a file
or drag it here

Paste image here

Previous Finish

Summary: Accounts Payable query ✓

Please select the Trust ✓

Please select the Trust

East Lancashire Hospitals Trust

Please upload attachment(s) ✓

Finally, you have the option to upload any files relating to your query.
Supported file types include PDF, Word, Excel, Images (e.g. JPG) and Email .MSG. Please ensure you wait until you have seen your file(s) have been uploaded before pressing Finish.
Once you select 'Finish' a screen will appear showing your Incident Number (IN).

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Logging a Pensions query



To log a Pensions query via the portal, select the 'Pensions' department on the 'All My Services' section.

Once in the Pensions portal you will be presented with the below options to log a query:

[Make a Request](#)[Requests](#)[FAQs](#)

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|  AWS Retirement Application Request Pension Portal AWS Retirement Application Request |  Manager/HR Partial Retirement Earnings Chec... Pension Portal PREC request |
|  Retirement Pension Portal Retirement |  Estimates Pension Portal Estimates |
|  Query & Guidance Pension Portal Query & Guidance |  Ill Health Retirement Pension Portal IHR |
|  Redundancy Pension Portal Redundancy |  Bereavement Pension Portal Bereavement |
|  LGPS Pension Portal LGPS |  Other This is to raise a query not already covered in the Pension Portal. Show More |

Once you have selected the relevant option for your query you will need to provide your Assignment Number, Membership Number, and Contact Number. You should be able to find both your Assignment number and Membership number on your payslip.

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|---|--|--|
| Assignment Number * <input type="text"/> This can be found on your Payslip. | <div>Form Prompt </div> Manager/Employee I am an Employee (NHS Pension enquiry) | |
| Membership Number <input type="text"/> This can be found on the bottom left of your Payslip. | | What NHS Trust do you work for? Alder Hey NHS Foundation Trust |
| Contact Number * <input type="text"/> Please confirm the best contact number to reach you on, should a member of our team need to discuss your matter further. Please note, this needs to be a full number and not an extension number. | | <div>Form Prompt </div> |
| <div>Previous Next</div> | | |

You will be asked a series of questions to help us gather the necessary information to be able to assist with your query.

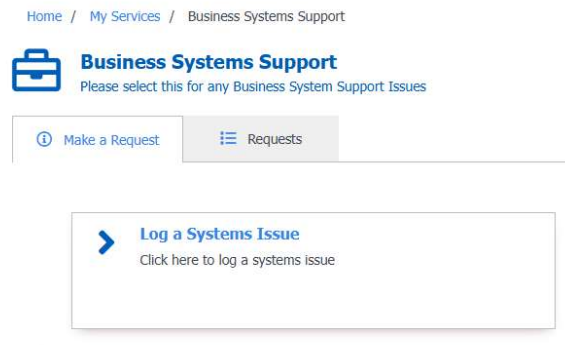
Select 'Next' to move to the next section.

Once you have answered the questions, you will either be provided with the Trust guidance on your query or the ability to log an incident with our pensions Team.

Logging a Business Systems Support query

To log a query via the portal, select the 'Business Systems Support' department on the 'All My Services' section.

Once in the Business Systems service portal you will be presented with the option to Log a Systems Issue.



Select the prompt to 'Log a Systems Issue'.

The screenshot shows the 'Log a Systems Issue' form. At the top, there is a breadcrumb trail: 'Home / My Services / Business Systems Support / Log a Systems Issue / Log Request'. Below this is a 'Cancel' button. The form has two main sections: 'Summary' and 'Description'. The 'Summary' section has a text input field. The 'Description' section has a larger text area. A 'Next' button is at the bottom right. On the right side of the form, there is a box with the text 'Please enter the request details' and a yellow checkmark icon. Below this, it says 'Summary:' and 'Description:'.

You will be asked to provide a summary and description of your Systems issue. Please provide as much information as possible as this will help us to process your query more efficiently.

Select 'Next' to move to the next section.

The screenshot shows the 'Log a Systems Issue' form after clicking 'Next'. At the top, there is a breadcrumb trail: 'Home / My Services / Business Systems Support / Log a Systems Issue / Log Request'. Below this is a 'Cancel' button. The form has two main sections: 'Summary' and 'Description'. The 'Summary' section has a text input field with the text 'Business Systems issue' and a green checkmark icon. The 'Description' section has a larger text area with the text 'Please upload attachment(s)' and a yellow checkmark icon. Below the 'Description' section, there is a 'Previous' button and a 'Finish' button.

Finally, you will be able to upload any files relating to your query e.g. Screenshots of error messages.

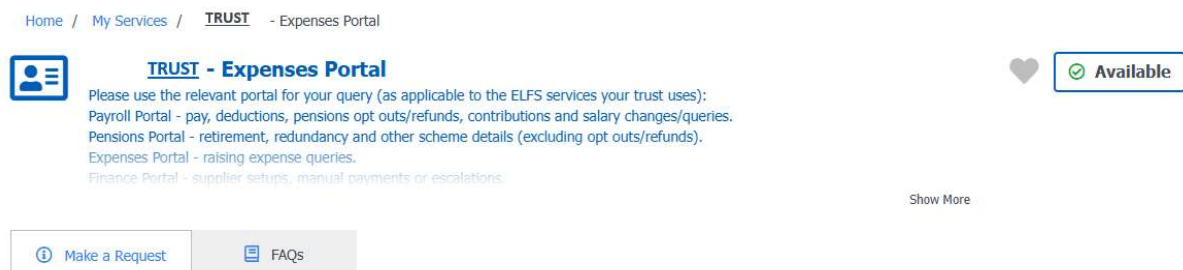
Once you select 'Finish' a screen will appear showing your Incident Number (IN).



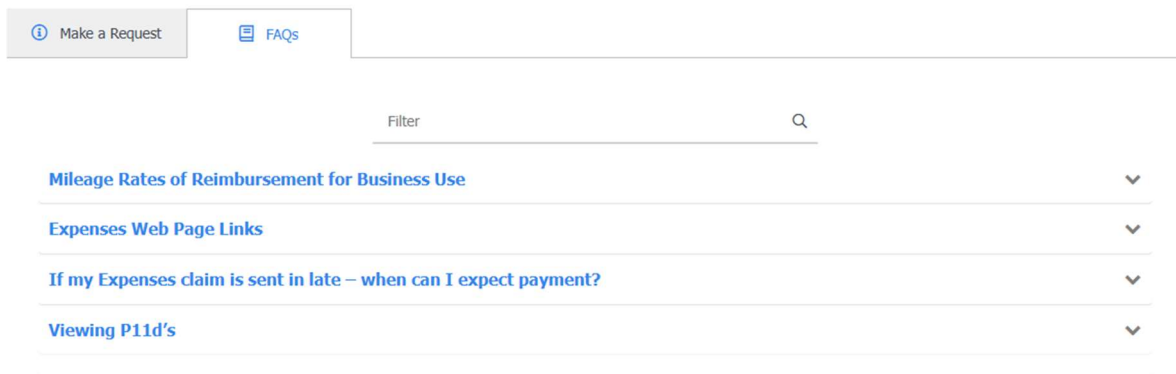
Logging an Expenses query

To log an Expenses query via the portal, select your 'TRUST - Expenses' department on the 'All My Services' section.

Once in the relevant service portal you will be presented with the option to make a request as well as to view FAQs.



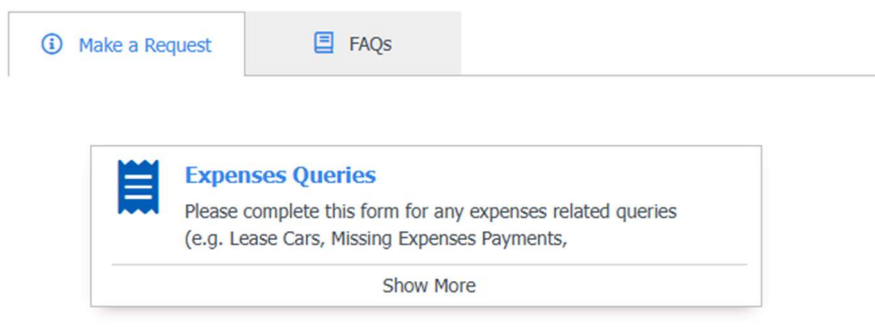
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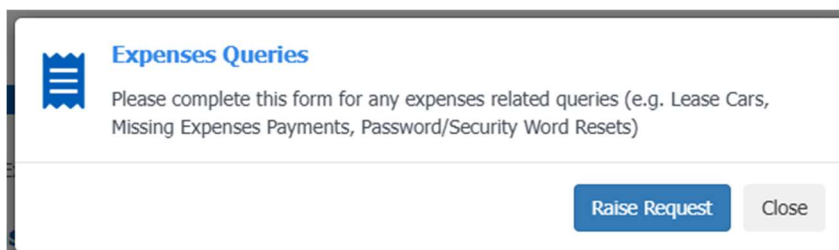
Alternatively, you can type a key word(s) into the search field:



If after reviewing the FAQs you still need to raise a query select the 'Make a Request' tab, then 'Expenses Queries':



You will see the following prompt – select 'Raise Request' to continue:



You will then be presented with a series of questions, select the relevant response, followed by 'Next' to move to the next section:

Type of User *

☐ I am an Employee (Personal Expenses Enquiry)

☐ I am a Manager/HR Rep (Enquiring on Employee's Behalf)

What NHS Trust do you work for? *

If you are an employee of the following trusts we do not handle your Expenses; please refer to your Organisations Policy: -

Northern Care Alliance (NCA)
 North East London Foundation Trust (NELFT)
 North London Foundation Trust (NLFT)
 Milton Keynes University Hospitals (MKUH)
 ECCH (East Coast Community Healthcare)
 GMICB (Greater Manchester Integrated Care)

[Next](#)

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Assignment Number *

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Reviewing/ checking the status of your query

You can access the portal at any time to check the progress of your query. To do this, access the portal as per the steps outlined in this guide, access the relevant service portal and select the 'Requests' tab.

Here you can review active and closed queries; however, queries that have been Cancelled will no longer be available for review.

Select the relevant query from the list by clicking on the IN.

Make a Request

Requests

Total: 1

Active

| Reference | Summary | Service | Catalog Item | Customer | Date Logged | Status | Sub-Status | Last Modified |
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Next select the down arrow to the right of 'Timeline':



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Salary



Post Something New...

Details



Questions

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Timeline



You can then review any updates and post messages/ comments:

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Timeline

Filter
most recently updated

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System BPM Manager
Task 'Payroll Single Capture workflow - Process Task' was added and assigned to 'Payroll' team

20 12 2024 08:47

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☒ Task

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Once you have typed out your message, press return on your keyboard to submit.

Available services on the portal for each Trust

| Trust | Accounts payable | Payroll/pensions | Business systems | Expenses |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| Alder Hey NHS Foundation Trust | | X | X | X |
| Birmingham Community Healthcare NHS Trust | X | | X | |
| Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust | X | | X | |
| Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership NHS Trust | | X | | X |
| East Coast Community Healthcare | | X | X | |
| East Lancashire Hospitals Trust | X | X | X | X |
| GMICB | | X | | |
| Greater Manchester Mental Health | | X | | X |
| Greater Manchester Shared Services | | X | X | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust | X | | X | |
| Hertfordshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust | X | | X | |
| Hull and East Yorkshire NHS Trust | X | | X | |
| Imperial College NHS trust | X | | X | |
| Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust | X | | X | |
| Locala Community Partnerships | | X | X | X |
| London Ambulance Service NHS Trust | X | | X | |
| Milton Keynes University Hospital NHS Trust | | X | | |
| Moorfields Eye Hospital NHS Foundation Trust | X | | X | |
| North East London NHS Foundation Trust | X | X | X | |
| North London Foundation Trust | X | X | X | |
| North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust | | X | | X |
| Northern Care Alliance | X | X | X | |
| Northern Lincolnshire and Goole NHS Foundation Trust | X | | X | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| South Tees NHS Foundation Trust | X | X | X | X |
| Tameside and Glossop Integrated Care NHS Trust | X | | X | |
| University Hospitals Dorset NHS Foundation Trust | X | | X | |
| University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay | X | X | X | X |
| University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS trust | X | | X | |
| West Midlands Ambulance Station | | | X | |
| Whittington Health NHS Trust | X | | X | |