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Sodexo wins ‘Partnership of the Year’ at prestigious HSJ Awards

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Sodexo has won Partnership of the Year at the 2018 HSJ Awards for its collaboration with University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust.

The HSJ Awards celebrated the outstanding contributions of staff and organisations to the healthcare sector. Sodexo’s award recognised the partnership between Sodexo and the estates and facilities team at University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM).

Sodexo has provided facilities management at the Trust since 2012, when it was known as University Hospital of North Staffordshire, it merged with the Mid-Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust in 2014.

The newly-created UHNM NHS Trust serves around three million people across Staffordshire and North Wales, and is now one of the largest hospital trusts in the country with a large private finance initiative (PFI) contract and a complex mix of in-house and outsourced estates and facilities services.

Working in partnership with the UHNM’s in-house estates and facilities team, the 1,000-strong Sodexo team is responsible for the soft FM services throughout the PFI and retained estate and hard FM services to the PFI. These partnership efforts have contributed to over £5m to the UHNM’s cost improvement plan.

The Trust has also been commended by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) for innovative practice in estates and facilities.

Stuart Winters, CEO for Sodexo Healthcare in the UK and Ireland said, *“The teams at both Sodexo and UHNM Trust have worked tirelessly to make the most out of their collaborative efforts. This recognition is a fantastic achievement for both Sodexo and the Trust and reflects what can be achieved for patient’s quality of life when you work together.”*

Neal Gisborne, Divisional Director for Sodexo Healthcare commented, *“We are all over the moon with the announcement. This award truly recognises the Sodexo estates and facilities team’s commitment and dedicated approach to their work. The team have made a significant contribution through their collaborative approach with the Trust.”*

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