

Press Release

Ealing hospital and GP services secure new contractor for pathology services

Ealing Hospital NHS Trust and Ealing Primary Care Trust have agreed a new multi-million pound contract with The Doctors' Laboratory (TDL), part of the international group Sonic Healthcare Limited, to provide pathology services for local hospital and GP services.

The current contract with The Hammersmith Hospitals NHS Trust comes to an end in early summer 2007 and the TDL team will then take over the management of haematology, microbiology, chemistry and blood transfusion services for a five year term.

Ealing Hospital Chief Executive, Fiona Wise, said: "TDL have a solid track record in providing pathology services – in London they manage pathology services for University College London Hospitals NHS Trust and The Cromwell Hospital – and we are very pleased to welcome them back as we have worked with them before. They won the contract following a full and rigorous tendering process.

"I would like to take this opportunity to voice my appreciation for the hard work and application of the staff who have been running our pathology services over the past five years and hope many of them remain part of our services going into the future."

Dr Raymond Prudo, Chairman of Sonic/TDL, said: "We are delighted to be joining with Ealing Hospital NHS Trust and the PCT in providing their pathology services. The hospital has a high reputation for quality services and we hope to contribute to that reputation in the future."

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