

## **Group Chief Executive Statement**

The Bribery Act 2010 was introduced to make it easier to tackle the issue of bribery which is a damaging practice. Bribery can be defined as 'giving someone a financial or other advantage to encourage them to perform their duties improperly or reward them for having done so'.

Provide CIC aims to provide excellent public service and needs to ensure propriety and accountability in all matters. Provide CIC is also determined to protect itself and the public from fraud, bribery and corruption and is committed to implementing and maintaining robust policies for the prevention and detection of fraud, bribery and corruption. Provide CIC has in place a Local Anti-Fraud, Bribery and Corruption Policy, which applies to all staff, as well as individuals and organisations, who act on behalf the organisation.

Provide CIC does not tolerate offences of fraud, bribery and corruption and will investigate any suspected acts of fraud, bribery, corruption, misappropriation or irregularity and take full and appropriate action against any wrongdoing.

If you have a suspicion of fraud, bribery of corruption, the organisation's Local Counter Fraud Specialist (LCFS), Hannah Wenlock, can be contacted on either 07919 595930 or <u>h.wenlock@nhs.net</u>.

