# Buying Group Benefits

Your organisation can join the LMC Buying Group for free. Membership gives you access to discounts from approved suppliers. Complete our membership form to join and start saving with these suppliers: https://buying.plexusportal.co.uk/Register.

**The Marketplace – Whittaker Workplace Solutions** can provide discounts on everything your practice needs to run smoothly including medical consumables and equipment, stationery and office products, catering and cleaning supplies, printer cartridges, office and healthcare furniture. They also provide workwear in a variety of styles for all staff from GPs and Nurses to Healthcare Assistants and receptionists with a bespoke-to-order service. Our pricing agreement contains heavily discounted prices on over 700 of the most popular items.

**Insurance – MIAB** provides bespoke insurance and expert advice offering a range of products designed to protect you, your practice, practice staff and family. They can also cover GP federations.

**Confidential Information Shredding - Shred-it** can help you prevent confidential information ending up in the wrong hands with a reliable shredding service. This includes one-off archive clear-outs and a regularly scheduled service.

**Income Protection – PG Mutual** specialises in offering Income Protection to healthcare professionals whether they are full-time, part-time, locum or self-employed. They protect the livelihoods and lifestyles of their members and their families if they are unable to work due to illness or injury.

**Emergency Recovery Oxygen - Baywater Healthcare** has created an emergency oxygen package to deliver immediate assistance and give you peace of mind in case of an emergency. Cylinders come in two sizes to provide longer oxygen durations, are rented annually and have a three-year shelf- life. A non- rebreathe mask and tubing are included in the package.

**Waste Broker – Business Waste** is a leading waste broker in the UK with more than 20,000 customers across the country. They offer cost-effective and reliable waste management services for organisations in many industries, including health and social care providers.

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**Energy Broker – Equity Energies** can save time, save money and save hassle for you by providing dedicated account management for your energy and water billing and metering needs, liaising directly with suppliers on your behalf. For practices wanting fixed price contracts, they offer an online energy market. This involves a reverse auction tendering, whereby energy suppliers compete for your business.

**Card Payment Services - nexpay** are a leading UK based payment consultancy and management company officially licensed by Visa and Mastercard for the provision of card payment services. They can save practices thousands of pounds annually with up to 60% off monthly bills.

**DBS Checks Processing Service - Avon LMC** can process all DBS check requests through their website. This service increases the speed with which organisations can obtain a DBS disclosure for their staff, with an anticipated turnaround in most cases of five working days from the date of submission to the DBS via the online portal.

**Online Training - Blue Stream Academy** provides high quality and easy to use online training courses for GP practice staff. Their cost-effective modules are constantly reviewed to ensure accuracy of content. They also add new modules which are accessible to practice staff for free once you have a subscription.

**Medical Equipment Testing, Calibration and Repairs – Calibrate UK** provide a comprehensive nationwide service, specialising in the calibration and repair of medical equipment, vaccine fridge maintenance, servicing and PAT testing for electrical items. The team is dedicated to delivering efficient, high-quality solutions tailored to meet your needs.

**Vaccine Refrigeration Panels – Apollo Panels** In the event of a power failure, these innovative panels can help maintain the optimum temperature conditions for critical medicines and vaccines, thereby helping to prevent cold chain breaches. The Apollo™ Panel optimises energy usage inside refrigerators to provide consistent temperature control.