

Standard Technology Product Acquisition

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STANDARD TECHNOLOGY PRODUCT ACQUISITION

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that a consistent technology approach is followed to support the optimum planning, procurement and implementation of ICT infrastructure and systems across NSW Health and is key to the success of the ICT Strategy. Standardising the ICT infrastructure leads to efficiencies in infrastructure management, reduces training costs and will result in costs savings while acquiring ICT products.

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

All Core and Common applications must comply with the product acquisition standards. It is recommended that Divergent applications and locally funded AHS systems comply with this standard.

The definition of Core, Common and Divergent applications are defined in NSW Health ICT Strategic Plan 2006 – 2011.

IMPLEMENTATION

This policy requires procurement staff at the Area Health Services, Health Support Services and the department to consult and adhere to the standard products used in the ICT environment at NSW Health.

The Standard Technology Product Acquisition Guide lists standard technology products used in NSW Health ICT environment. The document also defines the process for selecting a product different from the recommended ones.

A corresponding Tenderer response schedule is available for use while tendering ICT equipment. This document provides an opportunity for the vendor to respond the level of compliance of the products being proposed.

REVISION HISTORY

Version	Approved by	Amendment notes
July 2010 (PD2010_047)	Deputy Director-General, HSQPI	Rescinds PD2007_015. Updates acquisition requirements for standard technology
February 2007 (PD2007_015)	Deputy Director-General, Health System Performance	New policy.

ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

1. Standard Technology Product Acquisition Guide, Version 6.0 is available at <http://internal.health.nsw.gov.au/sim/toolbox/templates.html>
2. Tenderer Response Schedule – Standard Technology Product Compliance, Version 6.0 is available at <http://internal.health.nsw.gov.au/sim/toolbox/templates.html>