





# **Environmental Management Policy**

# **Policy Statement**

Alexander Taylor Medical Group (ATM Group) recognises that the delivery of its operations inevitably impacts on the environment and to that end we are conscious of our social responsibilities with regards to helping the environment through our working practices.

Through a commitment to continuous environmental improvement, ATM Group's aim is to ensure that our business operation is undertaken in such a manner as to have minimum impact on the environment.

ATM Group believes that this commitment can best be delivered through the following policy objectives:

- ensuring that ATM Groups legal duties, statutory obligations, internal policies, and procedures are always complied with.
- reducing our consumption of resources and improving efficiency in the use of these resources
- managing wastes generated from our operations according to the principles of reduce, reuse, and recycle
- creating an environment which encourages staff to identify and participate in sustainability initiatives
- providing staff with sufficient training, instruction, information, and supervision to develop and encourage environmental awareness
- providing practicable implementations to assist with ATM Groups goal of continuously improving its environmental performance.

ATM Group recognises that these environmental objectives can only be achieved through the commitment and cooperation of all staff. In practical terms this means a willingness of all employees to demonstrate a commitment to the achievement of our environmental objectives through the implementation of, and adherence to, this environmental policy.

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# Introduction

ATM Group believes that an essential part of reducing its environmental footprint is to understand the environmental impact of its operations. Our pledge is to have a greener more sustainable environment by minimising the impact of our activities on the environment and to increase our greener knowledge.

#### **Awareness and Commitment:**

Our policy towards the environment will be readily available and promoted to our clients. We will endeavour to ensure staff and clients are familiar and aid in implementing our environmental commitment and objectives.

### Practical Implementation:

- ATM Group's environmental policy will be available to view on our website.
- ATM Group's policy statement will be present in on social media platforms such as LinkedIn.
- ATM Group's policy will be available to all staff within the workplace.

### **Transport:**

ATM Group will endeavour to reduce the impact on the environment wherever possible with respect to transport.

# Practical Implementation:

- ATM Group will seek to employ more local products and services to reduce transport costs.
- ATM Group will avoid unnecessary travel and will obtain energy efficient vehicles on our vehicle replacement plan.
- Wherever possible appointments in London and local will be visited by train rather than by road minimising unnecessary toxic emissions.
- We will encourage the use of public transport, cycle, or foot.
- To eliminate unnecessary and inefficient use of staff owned vehicle wherever possible carpooling will be implemented.
- Where necessary overseas products will be supplied by sea rather than by air to avoid unnecessary emissions.

## **Energy & Water Consumption:**

ATM Group accepts a share of the UK's commitment to a reduction in carbon dioxide emissions both by attaining greater efficiency in total energy consumption and by continuing to examine the possibility of acquiring electricity from 'green' sources when finances permit, either through the purchase of 'green' electricity, or through an increased use of solar water heating.







### Practical Implementation:

- ATM Group will make every effort to use water efficiently and avoid pollutants entering the drainage system.
- ATM Group will use energy efficient products wherever practical and monitor usage to achieve minimum energy consumption.

# **Waste Generation and Management:**

ATM Group will try to minimize the production of waste and pollution, including unnecessary packaging. ATM Group will implement measures to reduce the volume of waste generated and to increase the proportion of that waste which is recycled.

#### Practical Implementation:

- ATM Group will ensure to use only use biodegradable packaging material as fillers along with cardboard boxes sometimes used from recycled materials.
- ATM Group will not use non-recyclable packaging materials such as bubble wrap or plastic fillers inside their packaging.
- ATM Group promotes recycling by implementing separated waste recycle bins for glass, paper, plastic, and cans/tins.

#### **Materials and Resources:**

ATM Group will try to minimize environmental impact about sourcing materials and resources.

#### Practical Implementation:

- Wherever possible ATM Group will avoid using materials which have an undesirable effect on the environment, and again wherever possible use locally made recycled goods.
- ATM Group will try to use contractors who also share a commitment to the environment and consider lifetime costs of materials when repairing, altering, or rebuilding premises.
- ATM Group will maximize use of electronic communication and information storage as an alternative to paper and consider the possible alternative to regular visits to clients can sometimes be done via zoom or other type of media platforms.

#### **Natural Environment:**

ATM Group will help to protect and enhance natural habitats and wildlife, take appropriate opportunities to enhance them and be sensitive to landscape issues. Look to minimize impact on local wildlife, and to look for opportunities to work with the local community in caring for the local environment.

ATM Group will endeavour to be aware of local planning developments and take appropriate action where these are potentially damaging to the environment.

Thank you for helping us to help the environment.