



Made in WA Policy

1. Purpose

The *Made in WA Policy* (policy) seeks to maximise the economic and social benefits of WA Health's procurement activities by prioritising the purchase of goods and services, designed, manufactured and supplied within Western Australia.

The policy supports the Western Australian Government's Made in WA Plan that sets out measures, consistent with the objectives and provisions of the [WA Buy Local Policy 2022](#), and the [WA Industry Participation Strategy 2024](#). The policy aligns to [General Procurement Direction 2025/15 – Supporting local manufacturing](#) which outlines the requirements for promoting the procurement of goods and services that are designed, manufactured and supplied within Western Australia.

This policy is a mandatory requirement for Health Service Providers under the *Procurement Policy Framework* pursuant to section 26(2)(d) of the *Health Services Act 2016*.

This policy is also a mandatory requirement for the Department of Health pursuant to section 29 of the *Public Sector Management Act 1994*.

2. Applicability

This policy is applicable to WA health entities.

The requirements contained within this policy are applicable to the services purchased from contracted health entities where it is explicitly stated in the contract between the contracted health entity and the State of Western Australia or Health Service Provider. The State of Western Australia or Health Service Provider contract manager is responsible for ensuring that any obligation to comply with this policy by the contracted health entity is accurately reflected in the relevant contract and managed accordingly.

3. Policy Requirements

3.1 Procurement Principles

WA Health procurement decisions achieve value for money and give due consideration to the determinants of value for money. This may include (as applicable):

- **Meeting clinical requirements:** Procurements relating to clinical requirements, must ensure that clinical advice and evaluation has been sought and appropriately considered, and that clinical requirements have been met.
- **Economic and Social Impacts:** Ensure that, consistent with WA Government policies, the full economic and social impacts of procurements are considered in

conjunction with other relevant objectives, including cost-effectiveness, sustainability, quality, security of supply, performance, financial constraints, and other factors as may be relevant to a particular procurement.

- **Prioritise Local Supply and Innovation:** Support the procurement of goods and services from Western Australian businesses, in accordance with relevant WA Government policies.
- **Support Local Market Development:** Encourage innovation and capacity-building within WA industries to meet health sector needs.
- **Prioritise Regional Economic Growth and Aboriginal Business Participation:** Support the development of WA's regional economy and engagement of Registered Aboriginal Businesses (including Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations (ACCOs)) in accordance with relevant Government policies.

3.2 Local Preference Hierarchy

When considering the economic and social impact of procurements, officers may recognise and draw a distinction between expected impact on:

- Western Australia;
- Australia; and
- Other countries.

3.3 Purchasing System

- Health Support Services will facilitate the identification of products manufactured in WA within the existing catalogue of the purchasing system.
- The purchasing system will assist buyers in identifying goods manufactured in WA when searching the catalogue.

3.4 Market Development:

WA health entities will explore opportunities and initiatives through engagement and collaboration with relevant stakeholders, including industry to:

- build capability and capacity within health-related WA supply chains
- improve sovereignty and security of supply for health-related goods and services.

WA businesses are encouraged to innovate by adopting new technologies, processes or solutions that strengthen WA local industry capability, and provide opportunities to pursue growth in competitive markets across Australia and internationally.

4. Compliance Monitoring

The Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, on behalf of the System Manager, will monitor compliance with this policy by requiring each HSP to provide annual reports by 31 July each year on the preceding financial year application of this policy.

The reports must address expenditure on WA-designed and manufactured products.

5. Related Documents

The following documents are mandatory pursuant to this policy:

- N/A

6. Supporting Information

The following information is not mandatory but informs and/or supports the implementation of this policy:

- The WA Government suite of [templates and guides](#) which support procurement and contract management processes.

7. Definitions

The following definition(s) are relevant to this policy.

Term	Definition
Made in WA	Refers to goods that are designed and manufactured in Western Australia. A product is manufactured in Western Australia if it meets the criteria set out in General Procurement Direction 2025/15 – Supporting local manufacturing .
WA health entities	WA health entities include: (i) Health Service Providers as established by an order made under section 32 (1)(b) of the Health Services Act 2016. (ii) Department of Health as an administrative division of the State of Western Australia pursuant to section 35 of the Public Sector Management Act 1994.

8. Policy Contact

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10. Approval

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