



Renew Medical UK

Sustainability Report
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Pursuing sustainability

The 17 Sustainable Development Goals are at the heart of the UN 2030 agenda for Sustainable Development, forming the blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all. They address the global challenges we face, including poverty, inequality, climate change, environmental degradation, peace and justice.

Renew Medical is a small business with a current team of two direct employees. It currently outsources a number of functions including Manufacturing, Accountancy Services, Logistics, Regulatory Services and Product Design.

As a result, we are not legally required to produce a sustainability report; there are minimal direct consequences relating to staff transport and no utility bills because the Renew team work remotely. Therefore, the focus of our sustainability efforts will relate to procurement of materials, manufacturing and logistics.

Our Mission at Renew Medical is to lead the way in identifying affordable and environmental initiatives for the benefit of our customers, consumers, health services and the planet.

Why

We will ensure that Renew Medical plays its part in the global movement to achieve net zero by 2050. We will integrate our sustainability ambitions into our well-established product development process and life cycle. By adding a sustainable dimension to this process, we will further enhance the value of our products and services.

Our ambition is to supply medical devices made using the 'right' materials in the 'right' way with the suitable and most efficient technologies available. By further strengthening the relationship with our suppliers, and through consistent encouragement towards a sustainable agenda, we will positively influence them in terms of lowering their CO2 emissions, as well as reducing the number of materials and resources.

We commit to:

Adopting a set of principles which ensure that Renew takes positive action to minimise its carbon footprint and environmental impact in a way that is proportionate and does not exclude or discriminate.





What are our ambitions

- To strengthen our relations and our commitment to our legal manufacturer and strategic suppliers to support our sustainable agenda
- To help and encourage our suppliers and manufacturers to minimize their environmental footprint
- To focus on sustainable logistics and transport to ensure all shipping is as efficient and sustainable as possible
- To increase the direct-to consumer contact and interaction using virtual methods
- To increase and implement constructive feedback, from users and customers
- To strengthen our interaction with healthcare professionals using indirect contact and communications
- To be transparent about our products and how they are made, the materials we use in manufacturing and how they should be handled, including after use

How will this make a difference to the environment?

We strive for continuous improvement for all products and services we bring to market, including their environmental footprint and sustainability. We will invest in our teams knowledge and education in order for them to deliver on our sustainability ambitions and goals.

By further strengthening the relationship with our suppliers, and through consistent pressure and encouragement towards a sustainable agenda, we will affect and influence them in terms of lowering their CO2 emissions, reducing the number of materials and resources used, as well as using the 'right' materials in the 'right' way with the suitable and most efficient technologies available.



How is this important for users and healthcare professionals?

Sustainability and transparency in manufacturing is becoming an ever more important aspect of product selection, for a growing number of users and healthcare professionals. Being open about our current methods and future goals will help us support the needs and wants of our customers, whilst gaining their long term trust in our business methods.

A sustainable agenda and mindset will add value to the meaningful and personal dialogue we have with our end-users and healthcare professionals in pursuing a common goal for a sustainable future.

How does this support healthy living and promote wellbeing?

Our mission is to improve the quality of life for people suffering from bowel-related issues. We recognise that the impact of medical devices on the planet is increasingly important to our consumers.

We acknowledge that bowel-related issues are considered a taboo area for many and can lead to social isolation, lack of control, mental challenges and even depression. We develop products that support the physical and mental challenges of bowel related issues in a holistic and sustainable way.

We educate and increase openness around bowel related issues to break down taboos within the area. This is to help people suffering from bowel issues to replace anxiety and embarrassment with knowledge.





Will you reduce inequality within and amongst countries?

At Renew, we actively support the distribution of our products and services in regions where low prices and reimbursement are often seen as limiting factors. We aim to ensure that people have access to our products, in as many areas as possible.

We want to ensure all people, despite conditions and challenges, have equal opportunities in daily life and none shall be limited in freedom due to bowel challenges. We will achieve this via our international distributor network.

Will this support sustainable consumption and production patterns?

We believe that working in partnership with our legal manufacturer will facilitate the move towards sustainable consumption and production.

We have ambition to implement clean sustainable materials that will further increase the efficiency of our current range of products and future portfolio developments, wherever possible, without compromising on quality, safety or usability.



Key activities

What we will do:

We will reduce the number of materials and resources used in the development of every new product and service, and we commit to always improve and make new products and manufacturing processes more efficient and sustainable in comparison to what they replace.

We will design every new product considering the entire use cycle - before, during and after use.

We will communicate this in a transparent and honest way to our customers and end-users, so they can handle the product responsibly, including after use and at the end-of-life of the product.

We will support and partner with relevant patient organisations; contributing to and participating in relevant congress/events in the bowel management area.

We will continue to strengthen our collaboration with healthcare professionals and support increased research and education within the bladder and bowel area.

Dialogue with, and commitment from, strategic partners. We will push and encourage our strategic partners towards a constantly improving sustainable agenda – we will carefully assess new commercial partners and suppliers from a sustainability perspective.

Work with our suppliers and legal manufacturer to ensure that we educate ourselves within the newest knowledge around material and sustainability and we will further strengthen our assessment of materials used in new product development.

We will make sure that the sustainable agenda is present in our development process with an integrated structure that helps us make the best possible decisions from a sustainability point of view.

We will communicate in a transparent, open and honest way about our sustainability goals and ambitions both internally and externally

We will reduce global inequality achieve by working closely with our international distributor network to improve access to our products and educational tools.



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