

Project Pathway Overview from XAT perspective



A simple VAT example

'Standard rated or Taxable' VAT status



- As Viapath charges VAT on its invoices to customers, it is able to recover all the VAT it is charged on its purchases the only costs are the VAT <u>exclusive</u> price of its purchases (£100).
- 'Profit': £200 £100 = £<u>100</u>



- As Viapath services to customers are exempt (i.e. no VAT is charged), it cannot recovery any VAT it incurs on purchases so its costs are the VAT <u>inclusive</u> price of its purchases (£120).
- 'Profit': £200 £120 = £<u>80</u>





Chronology of events to date

- **2008-10** three letters received from HMRC confirming GSTS' VAT status is "Standard Rated"
- Sept 2012 HMRC meeting with GSTS to review of VAT status for all independent pathology providers
- 19 January 2013 letter received from HMRC, proposing a change to the GSTS VAT status to 'standard rated' effective 1 May 2013 – expected impact c£13m pa
- 22 April 2013 GSTS successful in High Court Judicial Review, removing 1 May 2013 date and allowing the 'point of law' to be heard in a Tribunal. GSTS given a 'reasonable' amount of time to restructure itself if unsuccessful. 3 months allowed in first instance
- **9 July 2013** GSTS commences with 'One Organisation' programme 8 separate workstreams of activity
- **31 July 2013** First Tier Tribunal lasts 3 days to hear the points of law.
 Judgment expected September 2013
- 19 February 2014 First Tier Tribunal rules that pathology is inherently linked to healthcare and as such should be 'exempt' from VAT
- **24 February 2014** HMRC give clearance to GSTS' proposed restructuring plan
 expected impact c£1m pa
- 14 May 2014 Judicial Review hearing to consider GSTS application for 1 January 2015 implementation date





Board considerations

- Board has been advised by KPMG since January 2013
- A number of structural options were considered
- The overriding objective of the new structure was to allow the organisation to deliver on its strategic objectives in the best way possible
- A preferred structure was agreed in April 2013 staffing model was still under consideration
- Pensions change was announced with effect from 1 April 2014 which meant that TUPE was the preferred option of the Operating Board at the March 2014 meeting



viapath What will the new structure for Viapath look like?



The assignment of the PSA and TSA contracts from Viapath Group to Viapath Analytics or Viapath Services creates a TUPE 'trigger'





What will each company do?

Viapath Group	Viapath Analytics	Viapath Services				
 Strategic Direction and Vision; Development of relationships with potential future customers; Links with Department of Health and key industry players; and Corporate Support Services to provide a cost effective service delivery by subsidiaries 	 The running of an urgent or routine pathology laboratory; Expertise in Blood Sciences, Microbiology, Histopathology, Cytology, Molecular Pathology and Genetics; Expertise and processes required to comply all necessary accreditation; Technical pathology training; and Clinical innovation 	 Provision of a fully managed laboratory facility including: Full accredited estates and infrastructure; Facilities Management Services; Equipment and Reagents; Consumables; Integrated Logistics; Laboratory Information Management Systems (LIMS); and Support for R&D, Training and operational improvement. 				





GSTS Workforce Breakdown									
Workforce Status	No	%							
Directly employed	442	42%							
Directly employed (TUPE)	54	5%							
Seconded (GSTT)	335	32%							
Seconded (KCH)	217	21%							
Total	1,048								

- There are currently 552
 Trust staff seconded to GSTS
- All seconded and directly employed staff are affected by the proposed structural changes
- The approximate workforce split by entity can be seen in the table on the right. The majority of staff would be in Viapath Analytics

VIAPATH GROUP			
Commercial	Including: Commercial Director		4
Business development			3
Executive	Including: CEO		5
Finance	Including: CFO		21
Governance			2
HR			12
OPMS			2
		Subtotal	49
VIAPATH SERVICES			
Procurement			17
IM&T	Including: CIO		25
Commercial			2
Governance	Including: Quality and Governance Manager		1
Business development			1
		Subtotal	46
VIAPATH ANALYTICS			
Commercial			1
Business development			1
Executive	Including: COO		2
Administration and Clerical			68
Clinical Support Workers			62
Laboratory Support			262
Operation Management			63
Scientists			478
Unclassified			16
		Subtotal	953
		TOTAL	1,048



	Mar-14	Apr-14	May-14	Jun-14	Jul-14	Aug-14	Sep-14	Oct-14	Nov-14	Dec-14	Jan-15	Feb-15	Mar-15	Apr-15
Financial Year end										31-Dec				
Viapath Brand Launch			01-May											
Shareholder board approvals														
Contracts and Pricing														
Establish Legal Forms														
Governance Arrangements														
Operational Implications														
Staffing Changes														
Accounting and Tax implications														
IT system changes														
Final shareholder sign-off and contingency period														
Go Live date for new Structure											01-Jan			

- This timeline would facilitate an effective transition period for the business
- This allows sufficient time for employee consultation around a TUPE transfer and a smooth and safe transition for the operation



viapath Project Structure and Governance

- Project Sponsor David Brown
- Project Lead Sarah Zilik
- Project Manager Darren Dacosta
- HR lead Mary Fitzgerald
- Operations lead David Wells
- Internal Communications lead Debbie Bowman
- External Communications lead Deirdre Cumberbatch
- VAT lead Chris Knight
- Legal advice Anthony Hodgson, supported by Bird & Bird
- SAP Systems changes Serco Finance/Project Management

