



## Civica CostMaster

The market leading PLICS/SLR solution



Analyse and manage your costs effectively



200 NHS Trusts using Civica systems

**£60**  
billion

NHS funds processed annually

CostMaster is an advanced, market leading PLICS/SLR solution, developed specifically with the NHS, for the NHS. Clients using CostMaster can quickly see how costs vary across clinical areas, procedures and clinicians. They have the ability to fully manage their data in CostMaster using the latest automation and data matching technology.

Effective financial management in the NHS has never been more under the spotlight than now. Monitor's Costing Transformation Programme is looking to raise the profile of costing and bring about a step change in costing methodologies. A growing funding gap means that the finance community must play its part in supporting and indeed leading innovation and service redesign. This is essential to secure the NHS for future generations.

### Why CostMaster?

CostMaster is an integrated income and cost analysis tool, easy to implement and manage costing at the patient level. The information which CostMaster is able to produce will provide senior managers with an effective and secure platform on which financial control can be established and maintained.

By loading all activity data into CostMaster an organisation can quickly understand how cost is being managed by the Service Line, Pathway or Clinician. The instructive reports and dashboards that are produced support the identification of more cost-efficient ways of working.

Reporting costs and income at every level, from patient to trust board, allows inefficiencies to be quickly identified and addressed. Both top down and bottom up costing methodologies are supported, giving total flexibility in accounting for costs.

### The benefits

- ▶ Automate processes to free staff time
- ▶ Ability to audit the costing process to ensure transparency and traceability
- ▶ Easy to use with no SQL training required
- ▶ Low cost of ownership with little on-going consultancy support required
- ▶ Full suite of reports to interrogate the PLICS/SLR data
- ▶ Drill down to any reporting platform such as Qlik, Tableau or Power BI
- ▶ Income assigned to the patient event
- ▶ Challenge variations across patient pathways through flexible reporting
- ▶ Respond faster to information requests
- ▶ NHS focused solution.

CostMaster is wholly owned by Civica. This means that enhancements and our response to changing requirements are implemented quickly and without reference to any third parties. This makes our software the most responsive in the NHS market and future proofed against the introduction of costing standards.

## CostMaster will enable you to:

- ▶ Identify clinical variance and automatically populate national data returns such as reference costs and Monitor PLICS
- ▶ Comply with national guidance
- ▶ Write rules to automatically recover the costs where actual patient level data is not available
- ▶ Calculate and produce report outputs for Materiality and Quality Scores prescribed by the HfMA Clinical Costing Standards Guidance as standard
- ▶ Fully reconcile to the Trust's ledger at all levels of output
- ▶ Run reports to output costs at patient level by source ledger attributes, such as cost component and cost pool
- ▶ Enter consultant job plans to more accurately record medical staffing costs
- ▶ Enter whole time equivalent information to go alongside cost in the model
- ▶ Run dynamic standard reports, enabling users to drill down from one report to another.

## Civica also provides

- ▶ Integrated Income Management
- ▶ A range of services to prepare a Trust for patient level costing including project management and clinical engagement workshops
- ▶ An active User Group, organised forums and workshops on all aspects of current guidance and national practice
- ▶ Weekend support cover during reference costs
- ▶ A dedicated team of finance and information specialists with many years NHS experience
- ▶ Ability to support a number of wider enterprise reporting platforms
- ▶ QlikView software and consultancy services as a certified QlikView partner
- ▶ Integrated process automation tools
- ▶ Hosting and cloud capabilities.

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