



Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children

Making it better

The Hospital for Sick Children first opened its doors at Great Ormond Street in 1852, with ten beds. GOSH is now a world-class centre of excellence in paediatric treatment, training and research, and is one of the UK's most treasured institutions.

The GOSH contract was taken over by First Choice Facilities (FCF) when it acquired the Firegen business in 2006. FCF was delighted to be able to retain the contract and currently maintain the Fire Alarm in nine main sites that

provide the nurses' accommodation. FCF upgraded all the Fire Alarm systems including detectors, to ensure that the system was compliant to BS 5839.

With the nurses' programme of shift work, it is important that maintenance work is carried out with the minimum of disruption. FCF's team of multi-disciplined engineers are able to carry out their scheduled tasks with the least disturbance, and at a price that offers GOSH the very best in value for money.



Robinia

Promoting independent living

FCF has wide experience in assisting health sector organizations preserve the integrity of their fire protection and safety systems. With the requirement to protect patients or residents with a range of special needs, there is no room for error in the servicing and maintenance of essential equipment in hospitals and homes.

Robinia specialises in providing community based support services and accommodation for adults with learning disabilities and other complex and challenging needs. With a

growing network of properties across the UK, Robinia needs to ensure that all its facilities are equipped and maintained to the highest standards to ensure the safety of often vulnerable residents.

FCF have been appointed to maintain the Fire Alarms, Fire Extinguishers and Nurse Call Systems at 15 of Robinia's key sites. Multi-skilled engineers mean that multiple products can be serviced in one visit, bringing both increased efficiencies and significant cost savings to Robinia.



Shepherd Engineering Services Ltd

A reputation for tackling the big challenges

An impressive track record of tackling the challenges posed by large projects, has won FCF a new contract from Shepherd Engineering Services Ltd at North Tees Hospital.

FCF has been involved with many large projects, including the new European Headquarters for Procter & Gamble, the Devonshire Building for Newcastle University, a call centre for npower and, most recently, Block A at Friarage Hospital, Northallerton.

The brief from project managers Shepherd Engineering Services was for the installation of a complete fire detection system throughout the building, to be integrated into the existing site-wide fire detection system. Also as part of the project FCF was asked to carry out the installation of multi-core cabling for the building's smoke ventilation system.

Tony Rogers, Shepherd's Project Manager says "FCF provides us with quality workmanship – we are happy to continue using them on future projects".