

Liverpool Heart & Chest Hospital NHS Foundation Trust is committed to furthering equality, diversity and human rights and reducing inequalities in its provision of healthcare services.

This commitment is set out clearly in the Trust's strategic goals and organisational priorities and is evident in our work. In particular, we are committed to:

- reducing inequalities in people's health and to improve their experiences of our healthcare and access to our services through greater respect for human rights and diversity
- ensuring an explicit focus on inequalities, human rights and diversity in our services

The Trust will demonstrate our commitment to equality, diversity and human rights in:

- planning and delivering our service programmes
- measuring our service performance
- dealings with our patients and the public
- the recruitment and development of our staff

Single Equality Scheme

We will not discriminate against anyone on the basis of race, disability, gender, including trans gender, age, sexual orientation, religion, belief, HIV status, caring responsibilities or any other relevant characteristic or need

The Trust's **Single Equality Scheme and Action Plan Priorities** (available on the [Trust website](#)) has been written as evidence of the Trust's commitment to ensure that equality and diversity considerations are at the centre of our Trust and the way that it operates. This document is a development from our earlier scheme and is intended to outline our strategies and actions for the foreseeable future.