

Digital hospitals wired for triple success



For the third year running, Addenbrooke's

Hospital and the Rosie Hospital have been internationally “recognised” for using technology to improve clinical quality, safety and outcomes.

The Trust scored a Level 7 of 10 ‘Special Recognition’ certification in the prestigious international Most Wired survey run by the College of Healthcare Information Management Executives (CHIME) – narrowly missing out on a Level 8.

The survey benchmarks digital adoption and outcomes, focussing on electronic patient records, IT support, security, business management, data and analytics, and connections with other healthcare organisations.

Most Wired Certified Level 7 and 8 organisations are defined as "deploying technologies and strategies to help them analyse their data and starting to achieve meaningful clinical and efficiency outcomes."

CUH was the only health organisation in Europe, and one of only two organisations outside of the USA, recognised during a ceremony at the Chime Fall Forum in Arizona USA on Wednesday (6 November).

CUH Chief Clinical Information Officer and

Renal Consultant, Dr Afzal Chaudhry, said: "Taking part in this international survey allows us to benchmark ourselves against elite healthcare organisations across the world, where many, particularly those in the USA, have been implementing and adopting healthcare technology for many more years than us.

"To be ranked among these elite organisations demonstrates the remarkable progress that we have made, and are continuing to make, through our advancements in the use of digital technology."

CUH executive director of improvement and transformation, Dr Ewen Cameron, added: "This is a fantastic achievement, which again showcases the clinical and digital collaboration across our hospitals over the past five years to create an internationally recognised digital centre of excellence to benefit our patients.