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<u>SUPPLY CHAIN CODE OF ETHICS</u>

<u>Purpose:</u>

To ensure an ethical, professional, and accountable supply chain.

<u>Policy:</u>

Personal Integrity and Professionalism
All individuals involved with purchasing or other supply chain-related activities must act, and be seen to act, with integrity and professionalism. Honesty, care and due diligence must be integral to all supply chain activities within NHH and between organizations, suppliers and other stakeholders. Respect must be demonstrated for each other and for the environment. Confidential information must be safeguarded. All participants must not engage in any activity that may create, or appear to create, a conflict of interest, such as accepting gifts or favours, providing preferential treatment, or publicly endorsing suppliers or products.

Accountability and Transparency
Supply chain activities must be open and accountable. In particular, contracting and purchasing activities must be fair, transparent and conducted with a view to obtaining the best value for public money. All participants must ensure that public sector resources are used in a responsible, efficient and effective manner.

Compliance and Continuous Improvement
All individuals involved in purchasing or other supply chain-related activities must comply with this Code of Ethics and the laws of Canada and Ontario. All individuals should continuously work to improve supply chain policies and procedures, to improve their supply chain knowledge and skill levels, and to share leading practices.

<u>References:</u>
The Supply Chain Guideline (April 2009), Version 1.0, BPS Supply Chain Secretariat, Ministry of Finance

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