

# HEXTAR HEALTHCARE BERHAD (formerly known as Rubberex Corporation (M) Berhad) 199601000297 (372642-U)

# SUSTAINABILITY POLICY

# **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 Hextar Healthcare Berhad (formerly known as Rubberex Corporation (M) Berhad) ("Hexcare" or the "Group") and its subsidiary companies are pleased to present its Sustainability Policy, which commits to managing its global business in a sustainable and responsible manner to achieve long-term sustainable growth.
- 1.2 Hexcare has established this Sustainability Policy ("Policy") to inform stakeholders on the Group's efforts and resources in managing its material Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) matters.
- Sustainability encompasses all aspects of ethical business practices, addressing relevant ESG issues responsibly and profitably.
- 1.4 The sustainability approach to address and manage material ESG matters is reported in the Group's annual sustainability statement.

# 2.0 POLICY OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 The primary objectives of this Policy are for the Group to:
  - a) To create a culture of sustainability within the Group, with an emphasis on integrating ESG considerations into decision making and the delivery of outcomes to meet the sustainability expectations and needs of our stakeholders;
  - b) To promote sustainable practices in our organization and operations towards generating sustainable long-term returns; and
  - c) To monitor and mitigate any negative environmental and social impacts caused directly by the Group's operations.

### 3.0 POLICY SCOPE

This Policy applies to directors and employees of Hexcare Group of Companies. It also subject to the Board of Directors' approval and comes into force on the date it is approved by the Board.

#### 4.0 **RESPONSIBILITY**

The Board of Directors, the Management, the employees, together with other external stakeholders of Hexcare are responsible for acting in a manner that promotes and supports the objectives of this policy.

The Board of Directors, the Senior Management, and the Heads of Divisions and Departments are also responsible for advancing sustainability within their respective areas.

#### **5.0 POLICY STATEMENT**

Hexcare is committed to achieve sustainable growth by managing its global business in a sustainable and responsible manner. This is realised by focusing on three pillars, namely Economic, Environmental and Social. In response to growing worldwide interests on ESG issues impacting the ways businesses are run, we have incorporated the "Governance" aspect into our Economic pillar. These important aspects are incorporated not only in its daily operations but also in its decision making processes.

Economic		Environmental		Social	
EC1	Strong Shareholder Support	EN1	Accreditation and Compliance	SC1	Remuneration and Rewards
EC2	Solid Balance Sheet	EN2	Efficient Use of Resources	SC2	Health, Safety and Wellbeing
EC3	Product Quality	EN3	Pollution and Emission Control	SC3	Workplace Diversity and Equal Opportunities
EC4	Customers' Satisfaction	EN4	Commitment to the Future	SC4	Training and Development
EC5	Compliance to Business Social Compliance Initiatives (BSCI) Guidelines	EN5	Scheduled Waste Management	SC5	Giving Back to Society
EC6	Corporate Governance and Risk Management	EN6	Emissions Management	SC6	Human Rights

#### Sustainability Framework

### 5.1 Economic/Governance Sustainability

Governance represents a fundamental facet of Hexcare's sustainability that is integrated across every aspect of the Group's functions and processes. It is a driver of transparency and accountability to manage risks, ensure operational and business sustainability, and retain the confidence of Hexcare's stakeholders.

The approach:

- a) Establish and maintain the sustainability policy, framework, and governance structure that are robust and aligned with Hexcare's business and operational agenda to guide the management of its ESG material matters;
- b) Ensure the material ESG matters of Hexcare are up-to-date through annual materiality assessments to identify and prioritise issues that are most important to the Group and its stakeholders;
- c) Formulate appropriate sustainability strategies, initiatives, targets and provide relevant training to address any identified ESG gaps;
- d) Perform our duties professionally and in accordance with laws, regulations, and sector practice, and actively endeavour to minimise the consequences of potential disruptions through good business continuity planning; and
- e) Conduct business in accordance with high ethical standards, incorporating integrity and transparency in all business dealings and relationships, whether locally or overseas, as there is zero tolerance for any form of corruption or bribery.

### 5.2 Environmental Sustainability

Hexcare's environmental management strategy is centred on reducing the resources utilised and carbon footprint of the Group's directly managed operations while supporting the environmental conservation and impact reduction efforts of its portfolio companies.

The approach:

- a) Being committed to environmental protection and stewardship by minimising risks and impacts to the environment in our operations.
- b) Promote environmental awareness within the Group and among its employees and stakeholders through this Policy and other initiatives;
- c) Reduce the consumption of non-renewable energy and non-recycled materials within the operations and gradually promote the switch to renewable energy and recyclable materials in order to reduce our carbon footprint;
- d) Encourage the practice of reduce, reuse, and recycle (3Rs) to reduce the burden on our environment and save our precious planet; and
- e) Strive to achieve carbon neutrality and net zero carbon by addressing and mitigating the Group's direct and indirect climate change impacts.

### 5.3 Social Sustainability

Hexcare's social management strategy is about identifying and managing business impacts, both positive and negative, on people at our Group of Companies, in the supply chain, and in the community where the Group does business.

The approach:

- a) Enable employees freedom of association and participation in the formation, membership, and lawful activities of a trade union, workers' association, or workers' council, and the rights to bargain collectively in accordance with and within the Trade Union Act 1959, the Industrial Relations Act 1967, and the Immigration Act 1956/63 of Malaysia are respectable rights of any employee;
- b) Create a harmonious workplace by prohibiting prejudice or discriminatory behaviour among all employees, regardless of nationality, gender, race, religion, age, sexual orientation, or disability;
- c) Ensure employees are in a safe environment and protected from the hazards of the job by providing personal protective equipment (PPE) as appropriate to the work;
- d) Comply with current laws on the minimum wage that are set by our government and ensure the ratio of basic salary and for women to men is 1:1,
- e) Plan and organise training programmes and relevant job skills training to address workforce competency gaps and further enhance professional and personal skills;
- f) Foster equal opportunity, diversity, and inclusivity within the Group; and
- g) Identify relevant Corporate Social Responsibilities (CSR) initiatives and encourage employees to volunteer as well as participate in them to be engaged with in order to cultivate stronger community relationships and enhance organisational reputations.

# 6.0 DISCLOSURE CHANNEL

This Policy is available on Hexcare's corporate website at <u>www.rubberex.com.my</u>.

# 7.0 FEEDBACK AND ENQUIRY

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