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Media Release

RUH seeks candidates for Non-Executive Director role

A new Non-Executive Director is being sought to join the Board of Directors at the Royal United Hospitals (RUH) Bath NHS Foundation Trust.

Non-Executive Directors play a crucial role in bringing an independent perspective to the boardroom, in addition to any specific knowledge and skills they may have.

The vacancy is for someone with a clinical background, who has up-to-date clinical knowledge and experience of delivering healthcare, either within the NHS or the private sector, and has led or managed significant cultural change in the working environment.

The role has a key focus on patient safety and care and the postholder will need to use their professional skills and perspective to monitor operational performance, ensure the fulfilment of statutory and legislative responsibilities, and support the governance and strategic development of the Trust.

Candidates should bring experience of operating at Board level and should be able to offer collaborative challenge and strategic advice to provide support, oversight, governance, and leadership in pursuit of the Trust's vision: "The RUH: where you matter".

Alison Ryan, Trust Chair, said: "We're seeking a new Non-Executive Director to join the Trust board and are keen to hear from applicants with a clinical background.

"The position requires a dynamic individual who is progressive, ambitious, and driven, with a proven track record of delivery and who is comfortable establishing relationships across the Trust and its complex stakeholder landscapes.



"So if you feel you can play a vital role at the centre of the Trust and help to set the direction of the RUH, please do get in touch."

You can find out more information and apply for the position here.

If you meet the skill requirements and would like an informal discussion about the post, please contact Roxy Milbourne, Interim Head of Corporate Governance via email at roxy.milbourne@nhs.net in the first instance.

Closing date for applications for the position is Sunday 28 July 2024.

Interviews will be held during the week commencing Monday 19 August 2024.

There is another opportunity to play a key role in the BSW integrated care system. NHS Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board (BSW ICB) is seeking to appoint an Independent Non-Executive Director (NED) for Quality. You can find more information about that opportunity on the NHS Jobs site.

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Notes to Editor:

At the RUH we're proud to put people at the heart of what we do, striving to create an environment where everyone matters. Everyone means the people we care for, the people we work with and the people in our community.

We provide a wide range of services including medicine and surgery, services for women and children, accident and emergency services, and diagnostic and clinical support services.

We are also provide specialist services for rheumatology, chronic pain and chronic fatigue syndrome/ME via the Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases which we acquired in 2015.

In 2021, we acquired Sulis Hospital Bath, an independent hospital that provides care for both private and NHS patients. This has enabled us to provide more care for NHS patients, as well as continuing to provide private care to those who choose it. Any additional income earned through private care is reinvested in services for the benefit of the people we care for at both Sulis and the RUH.

We're currently building a new Cancer Centre at the RUH. The Dyson Cancer Centre, which is set to open in autumn 2023, will help transform the care we provide for patients, families and carers.

We work closely with other health and care organisations as members of the Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board. We strive to improve the health and wellbeing of the people in our community by working together build one of the healthiest places to live and work.

We are rated 'Good' by the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

For more information about the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust visit: www.ruh.nhs.uk