

Core brief

Message from Professor John Brown CBE
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As you may be aware, NHSGGC has been seeking to appoint a small number of new members to our Board. It is important that we are able to bring new skills and approaches to our team and I am pleased to inform you that following a rigorous recruitment process, the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport, Jeane Freeman MSP, has appointed three new members, each of whom bring with them a wealth of experience that will be of significant benefit to NHSGGC.



Our new Board members are Mrs Michelle Wailes and Dr Paul Ryan who will commence their roles from 1 June 2021 and Professor Iain McInnes who will join us on 1 April 2021. On behalf of the Board, I would like to welcome each of them to their new positions. I hope that you will join me in making them feel very welcome.

Professor McInnes will become our new stakeholder member from the University of Glasgow. He replaces Professor Dame Anna Dominiczak DBE who is stepping down from this post. Professor Dominiczak, Regius Professor of Medicine at the University of Glasgow, is currently on secondment to the UK Government Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) as Director of Laboratories, NHS Test and Trace. I would like to personally thank Dame Anna for her extensive contribution and commitment to NHSGGC in recent years and we wish her the very best for her new endeavours.

Our new Board Members:

Michelle Wailes is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales with over 18 years' experience in the professional and financial services industries and the public sector. She started her career with PricewaterhouseCoopers, working in the Government and Public Sector team. During this time she was engaged on the delivery of statutory audit services, internal audit services and specialist advisory projects across a wide range of Public Sector Bodies in Scotland and the South East of England. She then spent 10 years working at the Clydesdale and Yorkshire Bank Group where she gained extensive experience in internal audit, risk and corporate governance. Michelle is currently a Board Member and Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee at Scottish Canals, and from 1 April will also take up a role as a member of the Police Investigations and Review Commissioner Audit and Accountability Committee.

Paul Ryan qualified in Medicine in 1979, and after a few hospital posts joined a general practice in North East Glasgow in 1983, where he continues to work. He was also a Clinical Director in Primary Care in the Health Board for 11 years. He is a past chairman of both the Glasgow Local Medical Committee and West of Scotland Faculty of Royal College of General Practitioners and is currently on the UK Council for latter.

Professor Iain McInnes CBE is a globally renowned leader in the field of arthritis research. He is Vice Principal and Head of College of Medical Veterinary and Life Sciences, Muirhead Professor of Medicine and Versus Arthritis Professor of Rheumatology in the University of Glasgow. He is Director of the Versus Arthritis Centre of Excellence for Inflammatory Arthritis and is also a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh and Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences.