

Role Specification for the Lead Governor Role

The Role:

The Lead Governor will:

- Be the named governor for direct contact by NHS England (formerly Monitor)
- Chair such parts of the meetings of the Council of Governors (CoG) which cannot be chaired by the person presiding (Chair or Deputy Chair or Non Executive Director) due to a conflict of interest in relation to the business being discussed.
- Together with the Senior Independent Director (SID) for Chair, and the Chair for Non-Executive Directors (NEDs), summarise and feedback on Annual Appraisals
- Be a member of the Nomination & Remuneration (NRC) committee for the appointment of Chair and NEDs, and discuss outcomes with Governors
- Be the named governor liaising with the Chair on matters of interest or concern to governors

The Person:

To be able to fulfil this role effectively the Lead Governor will:

- Have the confidence of governor colleagues and members of the Board of Directors
- Have ability to influence
- Be able to present a well-reasoned argument
- Be committed to the success of the Foundation Trust
- Have access to an email account and ability to attend virtual meetings e.g. Microsoft Teams

Eligibility and Terms of Office:

The Lead Governor will

- be appointed from amongst the 14 elected public Governors
- hold office for a three year period or until their term ends, whichever is sooner;

At the end of the term, there will be an open process for nomination of a new lead governor, but this does not prohibit the incumbent from seeking a further term/s