

Press Release

Thursday 29th November 2018



NCF announces appointment of new Board Members at Annual General Meeting

NCF held our Annual General Meeting today and are pleased to announce the appointment of four new Board Members:

- **Martin D'Mello**, Group Director of Housing Care & Support, **One Housing**
- **Martin Farrow**, Chief Executive, **Optalis**
- **Dan Hayes**, Chief Executive, **The Orders of St Johns Care Trust**
- **Karen Knight**, Managing Director, **NorseCare**

Commenting on the appointment of the new Board members, Maria Ball, Chair of NCF and Chief Executive of Quantum Care said;

"Myself and the rest of the Board are delighted to work alongside these members in their governance roles; bringing with them an excellent new set of skills and expertise to help shape NCF as we move forward into the new year."

During the meeting it was also confirmed that two existing Board members would be standing down from their roles at the end of the AGM;

Carole Sawyers, Chief Executive of **Brendoncare** and Honorary Treasurer of the NCF Board -

Carole was a founding Board Member of the National Care Forum in 2003 as CEO of **The Fremantle Trust**. After a short break Carole returned to the NCF Board as Honorary Treasurer in 2008 and has held the position for the last 10 years.

Everyone at NCF expressed heartfelt thanks to Carole for her contribution and service, to not only NCF and the Board, but to all of our members who have benefited from having her years of experience to draw on.

Alongside Carole, also stepping down after serving one term on the NCF Board is **Rory O'Connor**, Director of Welfare and Policy, **RAFA**. Again, thanks were issued to Rory for his service and contribution to NCF.

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Notes for Editors:

The National Care Forum (NCF) represents the interests of not-for-profit health and social care providers in the United Kingdom. The NCF has been promoting quality care through the not-for-profit care sector for over 25 years and is a leading voice in the sector.

The NCF is governed by our Board of Directors and assisted by the NCF staff team, headed by our Executive Director, Vic Rayner. We keep our members up-to-date with news and developments in the care sector and provide opportunities to meet and share ideas and best practice through our regular forum meetings, annual conferences and events, membership benchmarking surveys plus our highly valued weekly newsletter.

NCF is dedicated to representing members, having their voices heard by the decision-makers. We ensure member interests are represented at all levels and are in constant contact with government departments, politicians and the media to ensure their message gets across. Together we have a stronger voice!

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