Countess of Chester Hospital NHS

NHS Foundation Trust

NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE is hereby given of an election to appoint Governors to the Board of Governors of the Countess of Chester Hospital.

The Board of Governors is responsible for representing the interests of NHS Foundation Trust members and partner organisations in the local health economy in the governance of the NHS Foundation Trust.

There are vacancies in the following Public Constituencies:

Chester & Rural Cheshire	**3 Vacancies**
Ellesmere Port & Neston	**2 Vacancies**
Flintshire	**1 Vacancy**
Out of Area	**1 Vacancy**

In April 2004, the Countess of Chester Hospital was established as one of the first ten NHS Foundation Trusts in the country. The Trust won the prestigious 40 Top Hospitals Award for the 9th consecutive year, one of only a handful of Trusts in the country to achieve this status. 18,000 (4.4%) more patients were treated at the Countess compared to the previous year. The Trust also reduced the incidence of MRSA by 37% and Clostridium Difficile by 47%, and achieved full and unconditional compliance with the Healthcare Commission's Hygiene Code.

Members of the public are encouraged to become involved with their local hospital by becoming a Governor and being part of the team taking the hospital from strength to strength.

Nomination papers can be obtained from: Jackie Hughes, Secretary to the Board, Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, Liverpool Road, Chester CH2 1UL. Tel: 01244 365816.

Nomination papers must be sent to the Returning Officer by 17th August 2009 at the following address: Electoral Reform Services, The Election Centre, 33 Clarendon Road, London N8 ONW.

Stephen Cross, Foundation Trust Secretary

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