

From: "communications (NHS DEVON ICB - 15N)" <REDACTED>

Subject: RE: Information request

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To: Clare Sardari <REDACTED>

Dear Clare,

We can confirm Jane Milligan remains Chief Executive Officer of NHS Devon until she retires on 31 October 2023.

When Jane announced her retirement earlier this summer, NHS Devon immediately began an open recruitment process for her replacement.

Interviews are to be held from 5 October and the Board is optimistic that an appointment will be confirmed before Jane leaves.

This will result in a short period when interim arrangements need to be in place until the new appointee takes up post.

Allison Williams has been working with the Devon system on a part-time basis for the past two-years supporting the recovery programme. In the interest of continuity of delivery and with the full support of the NHS Devon Board and local NHS Trusts, Allison agreed to extend her support to cover the interim CEO responsibilities for the brief period between Jane leaving and the new substantive CEO starting.

The proposed arrangements were communicated internally to staff in mid-August but no external announcement was made pending confirmation of the shortlist for the substantive post and the full suite of interim arrangements.

In the intervening period, circumstances have changed, which mean that Allison, who lives in Wales, is regrettably unable to commit to being present in Devon full-time as required of her in the role and as such will not be taking up the interim CEO position. Allison has been discussing this with colleagues over the last couple of weeks.

Interim cover arrangements will be confirmed in due course.

Allison will continue to support NHS Devon's senior team and the recovery programme in her current capacity.

Many thanks,

NHS Devon