



**Lancashire Teaching  
Hospitals**  
NHS Foundation Trust

## Lancashire Teaching Hospitals confirm Silas Nicholls as new Chief Executive

**Lancashire Teaching Hospitals has today announced the appointment of Silas Nicholls as its new substantive Chief Executive. He will take up his position in early 2024 with a start date to be confirmed soon.**

The appointment comes after a thorough recruitment process involving multiple stakeholders from across the Trust and the wider health and care system at both local and regional level.



Silas will succeed Kevin McGee who left LTHtr this month after 38 years in the National Health Service. Faith Button will undertake the role as Interim Chief Executive until Silas joins the Trust, having been the Trust's Chief Operating Officer for several years.

Silas is currently Chief Executive of Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust as well as Chair of the North West Leadership Academy and the Co-Chair of the System Operational Response Taskforce for Greater Manchester.

Silas's first Chief Executive post was at University Hospital of South Manchester NHS Foundation Trust (UHSM) in 2016, having joined the organisation two years earlier as Chief Operating Officer. More recently he has been Chief Executive of Southport and Ormskirk Hospitals NHS Trust until joining Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh as Chief Executive Officer in October 2019.

Speaking about the news, Silas said: "I am absolutely delighted to have been appointed as the new Chief Executive at Lancashire Teaching Hospitals. The Trust plays a pivotal role in the local health and care system and I'm determined to ensure the opportunities presented by the New Hospitals Programme help to futureproof services for communities across Lancashire and South Cumbria for generations to come."

Peter White, Chair at Lancashire Teaching Hospitals, added: "On behalf of the Board, I am pleased to confirm the appointment of Silas Nicholls as our new Chief Executive.

"Silas is a very experienced and respected NHS leader who has held a range of senior executive and CEO positions across the North West for a number of years.

"Being a major trauma centre and tertiary provider of services for the system, this is a fantastic opportunity to shape the future landscape of healthcare provision for the communities we serve and I am absolutely confident that Silas will help us to achieve this.

"I would also like to put on record my personal thanks to Faith Button who will be in the role of Interim Chief Executive over the coming months and will help guide the Trust through what is sure to be a challenging winter period."



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