

NHS England – East of England

Workforce, Training and Education Directorate

Education and Training Sub-Directorate

Postgraduate Medical and Dental Education (PMDE) Senior Leadership Team Roles and Responsibilities

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PMDE Senior Leadership Team (SLT)

Postgraduate Dean Bill Irish

Primary Care
Dean & Deputy
Dean
Andrew Wright

Associate Dean Francesca Crawley Deputy Dean Helen Johnson

Associate Dean Jane MacDougall Deputy Dean Rowan Burnstein

Associate Dean Nisha Nathwani Deputy Dean Chris O'Loughlin

Head of School of General Practice Paul Wright Postgraduate Dental Dean Malcolm Brady

Head of School of General Practice Ayesha Tu Zahra Education & Training Operations Lead Robin Holland

Foundation School Director Helen Barker

Senior Leadership Team – Specific Portfolios

Postgraduate Dean Bill Irish	Primary Care Dean & Deputy Dean Andrew Wright	Deputy Dean Helen Johnson	Deputy Dean Rowan Burnstein	Deputy Dean Chris O'Loughlin	Postgraduate Dental Dean Malcolm Brady	Education & Training Operations Lead Robin Holland	Associate Dean Jane MacDougall	Associate Dean Francesca Crawley	Associate Dean Nisha Nathwani	
Oversight of all PMDE workstreams	Oversight of Allocated Schools*	Oversight of Allocated Schools*	Oversight of Allocated Schools*	Oversight of Allocated Schools*	Oversight/ Management of Dental School	Oversight/ Management of Senior Managers & teams in	Management of Senior Managers & teams in	Medical Lead for Allocated ICB	Medical Lead for Allocated ICB	Medical Lead for Allocated ICB
Responsible Officer	Oversight of GP Associate Deans	Oversight of Allocated Associate Deans•	Oversight of Allocated Associate Deans•	Oversight of Allocated Associate Deans•	Oversight of Dental Associate Deans	Strategic Projects e.g. Lead Employer				
Workforce Transformati on	CPD for Primary Care Clinicians	Medical Lead for Allocated ICB	Medical Lead for Allocated ICB	Medical Lead for Allocated ICB	Dental Lead for 6 ICBs	Dental Lead for development of policies				
Provide strategic interface with rest of NHSE	GP Nursing Advanced	Foundation, Enhance and MP Fellows			Dental Workforce Development & Transformation	Lead for Investment Planning, EFA for PMDE and Budget Management				
Health Care Scientists	Practice in Primary Care	Widening Participation								
		Pharmacy Foundation				Global Health/ International Development				

^{*} See slide 5

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Senior Leadership - National Responsibilities

Primary Education & Deputy Deputy Deputy Associate Dental Care Dean Associate **Training** Postgraduate Dean & Deputy **Operations** Dean Dean Dean Dean Dean Dean Chris Helen Rowan Malcolm Jane Dean Francesca Lead Bill Irish O'Loughlin Johnson Burnstein MacDougall Bradv Andrew Crawley Rob Wright Holland Lead Dean COGPED rep MDRS Lead Dean SMG rep Lead Dean Lead Dean for Lead Dean Lead Dean to Deanery **National** for Dental for ICS for General Chemical for for Urology for ACCS Assessment Pathology & Careers Workforce Funding Surgery **Paediatrics** Metabolic Reference Development Group Statements & Paediatric Medicine Group Lead Dean Lead Dean EM Lead Dean for JCST Lead Dean SMG rep Lead Dean for Trauma GP/Public for (jointly) for Lav for Acute for Clinical Lead Dean **Health Dual** International Internal Reps SOP Genetics Orthopaedic Gold Guide Dental **CCT National** Medicine Reference Graduates Lead Dean Lead for Lead Dean Group **PCDs** for ENT for JCST Lead Dean (iointly) for Lead Dean Restorative for Palliative and Special Medicine Global Care Health Dentistry Lead Dean for CSRH Lead Dean for Digital Simulation PCD rep for and TEL in Integrated Dentistry Neighbourhood Teams Lead Dean for COPMeD rep Advancing on SCA **Dental Care Exam Board Projects**

EoE Specialty Schools

Primary Care Deputy Dean Deputy Dean **Deputy Dean** Dean & Deputy **Dental Dean** Chris Rowan Helen Johnson Dean Malcolm Brady O'Loughlin Burnstein **Andrew Wright** Radiology **Primary Care Paediatrics** SAS and LEDs Dentistry **Emergency** Obstetrics & Medicine/ Foundation Public Health Gynaecology PHEM Anaesthetics & Ophthalmology Surgery **CSRH** ICM Radiology **Psychiatry** Pathology Academy Endoscopy Multiprofessional Medicine Academy School

Deanery ICB Leads

- o Each ICB has a Deputy Dean / Associate Dean assigned to it as a 'Patch Dean'
- The Patch Dean role ensures that education and training is represented at ICB level, Patch Deans regularly meet with Directors of Medical Education and GP Associate Deans, which enables discussion around priority issues and helps to facilitate a holistic approach to risks within each patch.

Current ICB Configuration

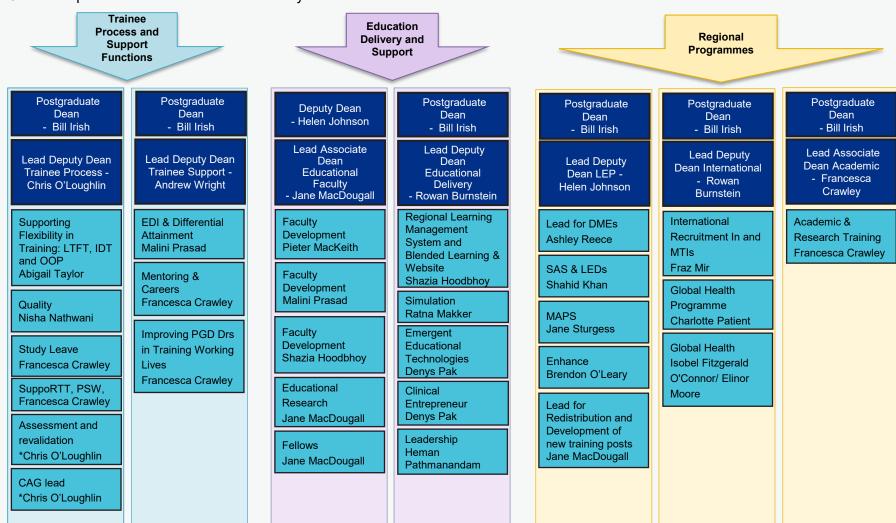
	Suffolk & North East Essex (SNEE)	Norfolk & Waveney (N&W)	Mid & South Essex (MSE)	Cambridgeshire & Peterborough (C&P)	Bedford, Luton & Milton Keynes (BLMK)	Hertfordshire & West Essex (HWE)
Patch Deans:	Associate Dean Francesca Crawley	Deputy Dean Helen Johnson	Deputy Dean Chris O'Loughlin	Associate Dean Jane MacDougall	Associate Dean Nisha Nathwani	Deputy Dean Rowan Burnstein
Primary Care Workforce Associate Postgraduate Deans:	Rebecca Cummins- Lagden	Cathryn Ruddock	Jon Rouse	Camilla Tilbury	Toni Munno	Hannah Cowling & Emma Salik

New ICB Configuration

	Norfolk & Suffolk	Greater Essex	Central East
Patch Deans:	Helen Johnson Francesca Crawley	Chris O'Loughlin Nisha Nathwani	Rowan Burnstein Jane MacDougall
Primary Care Workforce Associate Postgraduate Deans:	Rebecca Cummins-Lagden Cathryn Ruddock	Jon Rouse TBC	Toni Munno Camilla Tilbury Hannah Cowling Emma Salik

EoE Project Workstreams & Associate Deans

- Working as a team together with NHSE operational teams; Educators to provide relevant and appropriate clinical support to their specified projects
- o ADs to provide Professional Accountability



^{*} Where a Deputy Dean covers an Associate Dean role, they will report into the Postgraduate Dean

Additional Information

NHSE Support and Development

- EoE Induction and Buddy System
- Networking programme to develop educators, provide support and coaching

Faculty Support Team - Operational Support

- Guidance and Support for Associate Deans and any current or new local or national projects approved by SLT within Faculty Support remit
- Problem solve / NHSE Processes i.e. finance, procurement, internal and external communications, local or national directives and policies
- Ensure individual ADs are fully aware of correct contact details for Account Manager and other administrative support
- Administrative support organised from within the team at appropriate stages of projects
- Attend Board, Strategy, Task & Finish Groups, AD & HoS and DME meetings as relevant
- Ensure appropriate links are made with other PMDE functional teams to deliver the project