



Birmingham Health Partners

Collaboration. Innovation. Application.

Appointment of Chair

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About Us

Birmingham Health Partners, established in 2015, is a strategic alliance between nine University and NHS members who collaborate to deliver groundbreaking translational research, world-class education and training, and the highest quality patient care.

With over 50,000 staff, 5 million patient contacts annually and a combined turnover of £4.7 billion, we operate in one of the UK's most socially, ethnically and economically diverse areas.

However, Birmingham faces unique challenges, being the third-poorest and one of the youngest cities in the country, with significant health disparities too. [Involving patients, carers, service users and members of the public in our research](#) is key to helping us achieve our vision and ensuring that the research we do addresses the healthcare needs and priorities that matter most to the people of Birmingham.

Through our partnership, we aim to create a vibrant community which thrives on collaboration. We believe that by working together, we can achieve significant breakthroughs in medical research and patient care, translate research into practice and speed up the adoption of these innovations in the clinic.

Research is at the heart of what we do. Our dedicated researchers are exploring new treatments, diagnostics, and preventative measures to address the pressing health challenges we're facing as a city, region and nation.

We're also committed to nurturing the next generation of healthcare professionals and researchers, providing them with the skills and knowledge they need to make a lasting impact in their fields.

We're proud of what we've accomplished so far, but we know that there is always more to be done. We envision a future where health outcomes continually rise, and our population benefits from being at the forefront of healthcare advancements.



Strategy

Working together, we aim to transform Birmingham's healthcare through high-impact innovation – delivering research that matters to patients.

Our goals are to:

- Ensure equal access to the benefits of health and care research for the whole population of our city, region and beyond
- Drive impactful research and place evidence-based innovation at the core of clinical care, enhancing outcomes for patients
- Translate evidence-based innovation into practice

Our impact

The success of our partnership impacts directly on local patient communities, who will benefit from the latest research-informed healthcare.

More widely, we envision that the region will benefit economically from the vibrant health and life sciences sector which BHP helps to enable through an increased focus on commercialisation of our assets, underpinned by new start-up companies and inward investment.

We aim for BHP to create a highly-skilled workforce with the aptitude both engage with and carry out research, and to identify and deliver transformative care pathways. This will include a new generation of health and life sciences entrepreneurs, equipped to commercialise their innovations.

Above all, we will play a leading role in the transformation of our health and care systems.



“We are committed to driving innovation, fostering collaboration, and ultimately transforming healthcare for the betterment of Birmingham and beyond”

Our Partners



**UNIVERSITY OF
BIRMINGHAM**



**Health Innovation
WEST MIDLANDS**



Aston University
BIRMINGHAM UK



**Birmingham Women's
and Children's**
NHS Foundation Trust



**Sandwell and
West Birmingham**
NHS Trust



**The Royal
Orthopaedic Hospital**
NHS Foundation Trust



**Birmingham and Solihull
Mental Health**
NHS Foundation Trust



**Birmingham
Community Healthcare**
NHS Foundation Trust



**University Hospitals
Birmingham**
NHS Foundation Trust

Birmingham Health Partners is collaboration between organisations that share the common goal of seeking to achieve health and economic impact for our communities.

We do so through the knowledge and expertise of our people and the communities that we serve. We are Aston University, University of Birmingham, University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust, Birmingham Community Healthcare NHS Trust, Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Foundation Trust, Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust, Sandwell and West Birmingham Hospitals NHS Trust, the Royal Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Foundation Trust and Health Innovation West Midlands.

To find out more about our strategy and our activity please visit:
<https://www.birminghamhealthpartners.co.uk/>.

Main Duties

We are seeking an experienced, enthusiastic Chair to help lead the recently expanded partnership into its next phase of development.

The Chair will be required:

- To set the Board's agenda, taking into account the issues and concerns of all Board members. The agenda should be primarily focused on strategy, performance, culture, accountability and governance.
- To chair the Board meetings and facilitate constructive Board relations and the effective contribution of all members, by encouraging active participation and drawing upon individual skills, experience and knowledge.
- To promote a culture of openness to promote effective decision making, constructive debate and effective challenge, and foster relationships based on trust, mutual respect and open communication.
- To ensure the partnership has an effective vision, strategy, purpose and set of values, which are aligned, and which ensure long-term sustainability and relevance for all partners.
- To facilitate understanding of partner priorities, ensuring clear articulation of how the partnership can add value to the benefit of the local and regional population.



Main Duties cont.

- To act as an ambassador for BHP within the local community as well as its representative at a regional and national level.
- To ensure BHP operates within the highest standards of probity, value for money and governance at all times.
- Successful candidates would be expected to be familiar with/have demonstratable experience of how a values-based health science cluster formed of key organisations in a city-region enables them to harness their shared research and innovation capabilities to achieve significant health impact and economic growth.



Terms of Appointment

Remuneration

In the region of £15,000–20,000 per annum.

Time required

1 day per month on average, 2–3 Board meetings per year.

Tenure

3 years.

How to Apply

Saxton Bampfylde Ltd is acting as an employment agency advisor to Birmingham Health Partners on this appointment.

Candidates should apply for this role through our website at www.saxbam.com/appointments using code **ABXHA**.

Click on the 'apply' button and follow the instructions to upload a CV (maximum 3 pages) and cover letter.

The closing date for applications is noon on **Monday 21 July 2025**.

GDPR personal data notice

According to GDPR guidelines, we are only able to process your Sensitive Personal Data (racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, trade union membership, genetic data, biometric data, health, sex life, or sexual orientation) with your express consent. You will be asked to complete a consent form when you apply and please do not include any Sensitive Personal Data within your CV (although this can be included in your covering letter if you wish to do so), remembering also not to include contact details for referees without their prior agreement.

Due diligence

Due diligence will be carried out as part of the application process, which may include searches carried out via internet search engines and any public social media accounts.



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