



**The Commissioner for
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Dear Vaughan,

Re: Interim Non-executive Director Appointments to Public Health Wales NHS Trust (PHW)

Thank you for your letter outlining the proposed appointments of Dyfed Edwards and Professor Stephen Palmer as NEDs on the Public Health Wales NHS Trust board, without competition.

I acknowledge that significant effort has been made to recruit through fair and open competition, and I note your commitment to running new campaigns, due to launch before Christmas in 2018. I am therefore content with the interim appointment of Mr Edwards and Professor Palmer until no later than March 2019, or until substantive appointments are made, if that is sooner. As per your letter, Mr Edwards will revert to his current NED position once this proposed interim term ends.

I have noted your decision to re-advertise the long vacant post as a generic NED position, with the aim of increasing the potential candidate pool. I would be grateful if you could ensure that my office are provided with a copy of the candidate pack prior to the competition launching.

*All best wishes
y sincerely
Peter*

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