

PRESS STATEMENT

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NHS Providers welcomes new director of communications

NHS Providers, the membership organisation and trade association representing NHS foundation trusts and trusts, is delighted to announce today (26 November 2015) that its new director of communications is Daniel Reynolds. Daniel, who will replace Nick Samuels, is currently director of communications at the Nuffield Trust, and also spent 7 years at the King's Fund where, upon leaving, he was deputy director of communications. He has also spent time at British Sky Broadcasting as a news reporter.

Chris Hopson, chief executive of NHS Providers, said:

"I am looking forward to welcoming Daniel to the team, and to working with him to implement our communications strategy. Daniel will be leading a high performing and effective communications function that punches above its weight in every sense. As we move our organisation's communications forward with a newly launched website, a growing amount of news coverage and more followers on social media, now is an ideal time for Daniel to join us and ensure that NHS Providers goes from strength to strength, for the benefit of our members".

Daniel Reynolds said:

"I am delighted to be joining NHS Providers at what is a critical time for the NHS, with providers facing a range of challenges whilst striving to provide safe, effective and high quality services. I look forward to playing my part in representing the views of our members, and building on NHS Providers' reputation as the 'go to' organisation for comment and analysis on the issues affecting providers."

Daniel Reynolds will join NHS Providers at the end of January 2016. In the interim period Caroline Bernard, head of communications, will cover most aspects of the role.

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About NHS Providers

- NHS Providers is the membership organisation for NHS acute hospitals, community, mental health and ambulance services
- NHS Providers acts as the public voice for those NHS trusts, helping to deliver high quality care by promoting shared learning, providing support and development and shaping the strategic system in which our members operate
- NHS Providers has more than 90% of all NHS foundation trusts and aspirant trusts in membership
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