

ELECTIONS OF LEAD AND DEPUTY LEAD GOVERNOR

Council of Governors	Item: 11
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Purpose of the Report / Paper:	
To provide the Council of Governors with the timetable and process for election to the posts of Lead and Deputy Lead Governor	
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Recommendations:	
The Council of Governors is asked to note the content of the report.	

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1. Purpose of the report

- 1.1. To provide the Council of Governors with the timetable and process for election to the posts of Lead and Deputy Lead Governor

2. Timetable and process

- 2.1. The role description for the Lead Governor will be confirmed at the Council of Governors meeting on 17th March 2020. Please note that these posts may only be filled by governors elected in the public constituencies (i.e. not staff or appointed governors).
- 2.2. The appointment as Lead Governor shall be effective for two years from appointment. A Governor may serve two consecutive two year terms as Lead Governor, following which a period of two years must elapse before that Governor is eligible for re-election as Lead Governor. Time served as Deputy Lead Governor will not count towards a governor's subsequent terms of office in the position of Lead Governor.
- 2.3. Voting will be carried out by electronic ballot as in previous elections. Any Public Governor wishing to stand for election will be asked to submit a short election statement.
- 2.4. If all candidates wish to stand for Lead Governor, the election to both posts will be carried out in the same ballot by the voter ranking their selection of candidates. The candidate receiving most preferred rankings will be appointed as Lead Governor and the next preference candidate will be appointed as Deputy. If any candidate wishes to stand for Deputy Lead Governor only we will carry out the ballot in two parts, electing the Lead Governor first and then the Deputy Lead Governor.

3. Timetable

Date	Action
18 th March 2020	Nominations period opens. Public governors email the Director of Corporate Governance, susan.simpson19@nhs.net , to self-nominate for the post of Lead Governor and/or Deputy Lead Governor, submitting a statement of no more than 250 words on their suitability for the post(s) and why they wish to be considered.
5 th April 2020	Nomination period closes at midnight.
6 th April 2020	Voting opens, either in one process or two depending on candidate applications.
26 th April 2020	Voting closes at midnight.
27 th April 2020	Governors informed of election results. Nomination period for Deputy Lead Governor opens (if holding separate ballot).
16 th July 2020	All results confirmed formally at Council of Governors meeting.

4. Recommendation

- 4.1. The Council of Governors is asked to **note** the content of the report.