

# Press Release

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## **Chair and Non Executive Director re-appointed to NHS Business Services Authority Board**

Paul Rich and David Hulf have been re-appointed to their roles on the NHS Business Services Authority (NHSBSA) Board as Chair and Non Executive Director respectively.

Paul Rich has been reappointed as Non Executive Chair until 31 October 2013 for which he will be paid £63,048 per annum plus expenses. Mr Rich was originally appointed Chair of the NHSBSA at the beginning of November 2005. He previously held various board positions with the Royal Mail Group, including Deputy Managing Director of Royal Mail Letters and Group Managing Director of Post Office Ltd where he ran many of the key business units and functions including business development, marketing, information technology and systems. Mr Rich is a Fellow of the Institute of Directors.

David Hulf has been reappointed as a Non Executive Director until 30 November 2013 for which he will be remunerated £7,882 per annum plus expenses and an additional £5,254 for his role as Chair of the NHSBSA Audit Committee. Mr Hulf formerly held board level finance positions at BP which included responsibilities for global finance, strategy and business development. He is also a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales and a Member of the Audit Committee Institute.

The NHSBSA provides a wide range of services to support the NHS frontline and directly to the public, including:

- Payments to pharmacists for prescriptions dispensed in primary care settings

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Chief Executive - Nick Scholte Chair - Paul Rich

- Provision of management information to NHS bodies on costs and trends in prescribing
- Payments to dentists for work undertaken on NHS contracts
- Provision of management information to NHS bodies on costs of dental care
- Management of the NHS Pension Scheme
- A range of health benefits schemes (Low Income Scheme, Exemption schemes, Pre-payment Certificates)
- Administration of the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) scheme
- Management of the contract for the delivery of supply chain services to the NHS
- Management of the NHS and Care Bursary Schemes
- Management of the NHS Injury Benefits Scheme
- Provision of the NHS Counter Fraud and Security Management service.

Both these appointments have been made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process. However, in accordance with the original Nolan recommendations, there is a requirement for appointees' political activity to be made public. Mr Rich and Mr Hulf have not declared any political activity nor do either hold any other ministerial appointments.

The re-appointments have been made in accordance with the OCPA Code of Practice.

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