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Welcome to the website of the new **Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority**.

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What does the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority do?

Information about the Health Authority Board meeting on 10 September 2002 (see [Meetings](#))

The Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority is one of 28 new, more strategic Health Authorities in England.

Consultation on proposals affecting Breast Screening Assessment Services (see [Consultations](#))

It serves a population of about 1.8 million and covers the same area as the county of Hampshire and the unitary authorities of Isle of Wight, Portsmouth and Southampton. A map is available, below, showing the boundary of the area served by the new Health Authority as well as the key population centres.

Pictures of the Directors of the Health Authority are now available [below](#)

Effectively, the role of the new Health Authority is to manage the local NHS on behalf of central government. The main functions of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority include:

- **supporting PCTs and NHS Trusts to deliver the NHS Plan in their area**
- **building capacity and supporting performance improvement across all local health agencies**

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- **Blackwater Valley and Hart PCT**
- **East Hampshire PCT**
- **Eastleigh and Test Valley South PCT**
- **Fareham and Gosport PCT**
- **Isle of Wight PCT**
- **Mid Hampshire PCT**
- **New Forest PCT**
- **North Hampshire PCT**
- **Portsmouth City PCT**
- **Southampton City PCT**

The new Authority is also the "host" health authority for 7 NHS Trusts (responsible for providing a range of acute hospital, mental health, learning disabilities, ambulance and patient transport services), although many other NHS Trusts provide services both within and outside Hampshire and the Isle of Wight for local residents. "Host" NHS Trusts include:

- **Hampshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust**
- **Isle of Wight Healthcare NHS Trust - [website](#)**
- **North Hampshire Hospitals NHS Trust**
- **Portsmouth Hospitals NHS Trust - [website](#)**
- **Southampton University Hospitals NHS Trust - [website](#)**
- **West Hampshire NHS Trust**
- **Winchester and Eastleigh Healthcare NHS Trust**

Maps

A series of maps showing the locations / boundaries of these organisations can be downloaded below (pdf format):

- [map](#) showing the boundaries of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority and ten local Primary Care Trusts

- [map](#) showing the boundaries of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority, Primary Care Trusts and "host" NHS Trusts
- [map](#) and tables providing information about all 28 new Health Authorities in England

Subject to progress with the NHS Reform and Health Care Professions Bill, the 28 new Health Authorities in England are expected to become Strategic Health Authorities (StHAs) by October 2002. The creation of these StHAs is an important part of the Government's programme to shift the balance of power within the NHS away from Whitehall and towards front line clinical staff and their patients.

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Who are the key people in the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority

- [Chair](#) - Peter Bingham
- [Non-Executive Directors](#) – Catherine Brill, Jack Climpson, Elizabeth Hale, Barry Lipscomb, Mike Smith, Tony Watson
- [Chief Executive](#) - Gareth Cruddace
- [Other members of the Health Authority Management Team](#)

NHS boards take corporate responsibility for the strategies and actions of their organisations. The board of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority consists of six executives and six non-executives plus a non-executive chairman. The chairman and non-executives are lay people drawn from the community in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight and are accountable to the Secretary of State. They are expected to hold the executive to account and to use their skills and experience to help the board as it develops health strategies and ensures the delivery of high quality services to patients. These lay people are also expected to draw from their experience in the local communities to make sure that the interests of patients remain paramount. In practice, boards look for a balance of skills and experience from their non-executives. For example some might have professional expertise (in accountancy or business management which will supplement that of the executives) whilst others may have experience as a carer or user of the NHS, which may help the board focus its discussions on patient services. It is seen as a particularly important part of the appointments process to ensure that this balance of skills is maintained.

Peter Bingham, Chairman, Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority

Peter Bingham
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Peter Bingham was Chairman of Isle of Wight, Portsmouth and South East Hampshire Health Authority from April 2001 to March 2002, prior to which he was Chairman of the Isle of Wight Health Authority. Peter lives in Shorwell on the Isle of Wight and is a retired RAF Officer, serving latterly as project manager for the formation of a new Defence Intelligence Establishment in Bedfordshire. He has no declared political activity in the past five years and holds no other Ministerial appointments.

All chairs of the new Health Authorities have been appointed for a term of four years and are eligible to receive remuneration of £20,420 p.a.

Non-Executive Directors, Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority

Catherine Brill
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Catherine Brill works for IBM, where she has had management experience in a wide range of business functions. She has an MBA and is a Member of the Chartered Institute of Marketing and a Fellow of the Institute of Professional Sales. Before joining the Health Authority, Catherine had been a Non-Executive Director of Southampton University Hospitals NHS Trust since 1996 where she was also Chairman of the Audit Committee. She has no declared political activity and holds no other Ministerial appointments.

Jack Climpson
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Jack Climpson spent thirty years with IBM before his retirement in 2000. His experience of leading a large and diverse business operation, culminating in his appointment as Director of Business Operations, and his previous role as chief auditor will be valuable attributes in the new Health Authority. Mr Climpson was non-executive director of Isle of Wight, Portsmouth and South East Hampshire Health Authority until March 2002. He has no declared political activity and holds no other Ministerial appointments.

Elizabeth Hale
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Elizabeth Hale is an Information Resources Manager for Hampshire Probation Service, where she has worked since 1992. No stranger to partnership working Mrs Hale has contact with criminal justice agencies, housing and environmental health agencies, social services, education, voluntary health and social welfare organisations as well as local councillors and politicians as part of her work. Mrs Hale was non-executive director of Southampton and South West Hampshire Health Authority until March 2002. She has no declared political activity and holds no other Ministerial appointments.

Barry Lipscomb
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Barry Lipscomb was formerly an Assistant Director in the UK Immigration Service. He was a Conservative Member of New Forest District Council from 1979 to 1987 and was elected as a Conservative Member of Winchester City Council in May 2002. Before his appointment to Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority, he was a member of Winchester and Central Hampshire Community Health Council where he was Chairman of the Pathfinder Patients Forum for Winchester and Eastleigh Healthcare NHS Trust and a member of the Mid Hampshire PCT Modernisation Partnership Board. He is also a Parish Councillor and founded a local scheme of First Responders with Hampshire Ambulance Service.

Mike Smith
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Mike Smith is Chief Executive of Enabling Partnership, a consortium of charities concerned with disability including the Royal Association for Disability and Rehabilitation, Enham and the National Federation of Shopmobility UK. He is also a director of Cedar Services (trading company for Enham), a voluntary member of South East Hampshire Enterprise Agency (which promotes business activity in Hampshire) and a voluntary member of North West Hampshire Learning and Skills Committee, which is involved in training and development in Hampshire. Mike Smith brings significant experience of supporting people with disabilities to the new Health Authority. He was non-executive director of North and Mid Hampshire Health Authority until March 2002. He has no declared political activity and holds no other Ministerial appointments.

Professor Tony Watson
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Professor Tony Watson worked as a medical practitioner for 35 years, retiring from clinical practice in 2000. His appointments have included Consultant Surgeon at Royal Lancaster Infirmary between 1975 and 1990 and Professor of Surgery at the University of Sydney between 1990 and 1994. He has been Visiting Professor of Surgery at the Royal Free and University College London Medical School since 1994 and continues to take a keen interest in Barrett's Oesophagus as Director of the UK National Barrett's Oesophagus Registry and Chairman of the Barrett's Oesophagus Foundation, a national charity. Professor Watson is also a magistrate, having been appointed to the New Forest Bench in 2001. He has no declared political activity and holds no other Ministerial appointments.

The non-executive directors have been appointed until March 2006. A non-executive director of Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority is expected to commit up to five days per month to Health Authority issues and is eligible to receive remuneration of £5,295 per annum.

Gareth Cruddace, Chief Executive, Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority:

Gareth Cruddace

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Gareth Cruddace joined the NHS in 1975 as a management trainee with the Northern Regional Health Authority. He moved to Berkshire in 1980 for a number of management roles culminating in his appointment as Chief Executive of West Berkshire Priority Care Services NHS Trust in 1993. Prior to his appointment as Chief Executive of Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority he was Chief Executive of North and Mid Hampshire Health Authority between February 1999 and March 2002.

Other members of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority Management Team:

Alan Butler

Director of Finance

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Denis Gibson

Chief Executive, Hampshire and Isle of Wight Workforce Development Confederation

Chris Hoare

Director of Knowledge and Information Management

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Richard Samuel

Assistant Chief Executive (The Assistant Chief Executive sits on the Board as a non-voting member)

Eileen Spiller

Director of Policy and Performance Management

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Dr Simon Tanner

Director of Public Health

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Community Health Councils in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight

In addition to the Executive and Non-Executive members of the Board, listed above, the Board of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Health Authority also has an observer seat for each Community Health Council (CHC) in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight. The Community Health Councils are:

- Basingstoke and North Hampshire Community Health Council
- Isle of Wight Community Health Council
- Portsmouth and South East Hampshire Community Health Council
- Southampton and South West Hampshire Community Health Council
- West Surrey and North East Hampshire Community Health Council
- Winchester and Central Hampshire Community Health Council

More information about Community Health Councils is available from the [CHC page](#) of the Hampshire County Council website.

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Useful links:

More information about the process of organisational change and development across the NHS and central government can be found in the [Shifting the Balance of Power within the NHS](#) pages on the Department of Health website.

General information about the role and functions of the Department of Health can be found on the Department's [public website](#).

From April 2002, public health functions at regional level (formerly part of NHS regional offices) will be co-located with Government Offices of the Regions. Hampshire and Isle of Wight links with the [Government Office for the South East](#) (GOSE).

General information about the role and functions of NHS organisations can be found on <http://www.nhs.uk/>, the official internet gateway to the NHS

Health information and advice is available from [NHS Direct Online](#), the web-based service that works alongside the national 24-hour NHS Direct helpline on **0845 46 47**

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