



NICEAC STEP 11 AWARD 2009

Name Professor Alexander Peter Maxwell

GMC No 2803494

Specialty Nephrology

I have worked energetically to deliver the highest standards in clinical practice, service development, teaching and research.

Locally, I have demonstrated sustained commitment to excellence in patient care and the education of medical undergraduates and junior doctors. I play a lead role in the appraisal and supervision of clinical trainees having first ensured I received appropriate training for these tasks.

Nationally, through work in the HPSS Renal Services Review and Renal Implementation Groups, I am making a sustained contribution to the annual growth of renal services in Northern Ireland. I provide much of the clinical rationale and business case development for increasing the quantity and quality of dialysis provision, the requirement for an effective living kidney donor transplant programme and the need for workforce expansion. I seek to ensure that the services are evidence-based and delivered by appropriately trained professional staff.

Internationally, I have measurable success in research activity in terms of external grant income (< £5 million since 2000), papers published (> 50 since 2005) and establishment of large multicentre patient cohorts for research to assess the genetic epidemiology of diabetic nephropathy (e.g. All Ireland; Diabetes UK Warren 3 study; Genetics of Kidneys in Diabetes USA/UK). The award in 2009 of a National Institutes of Health (NIH) ROI grant for Genome Wide Association Studies of Diabetic Nephropathy is a clear benchmark in terms of the quality of my research.



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Name Professor Michael David Shields

GMC No 2480093

Specialty Paediatric and Respiratory Paediatrics

I have a joint University – NHS appointment and work in a busy academic unit doing the full NHS emergency/intensive care on-call rota in addition to a 1:3 rota for tertiary complex respiratory referrals. I am the lead respiratory paediatrician in N Ireland. Until April 2008 I chaired the Paediatric Training Committee and was regional Advisor (Royal College Paediatrics & Child Health, RCPCH) and implemented the paediatric “run through” training programme. I am on the Respiratory CSAC (RCPCH) and have helped develop the national training curriculum. I co-chair (paediatrics, pharmacological management) the British Thoracic Society (BTS/SIGN) National Asthma Management Guidelines (Thorax 2007, updates 2008, 2009) and Chair the BTS National Guidelines for the Investigations and Management of Cough in Children (Thorax 2008).

I set up/lead a rolling research programme into paediatric asthma with over £1 million of research grants in the last 3 years. I am a founding PI and deputy head of Child Health & Welfare Recognised Research Group (RRG, 2001 -) and the new Medicines for Children N. Ireland Clinical Research Network (2006 -) both funded by the R&DO DHSSNI.

In May 2009 I was bestowed lifetime honorary membership of the Czech & Slovakian (Bohemian) Medical Society for research and guideline development.



NICEAC STEP 10 AWARD 2009

Name Dr David John Eedy

GMC No 2703927

Specialty Dermatology

- (a) **Lead Consultant Dermatologist of largest centre in N Ireland**, 8840 new patients per annum (cf. RGH4390, BCH 4195).
- (b) Between 2006-9 lead on **radical redesign of SHSCT department leading to development of** combined inpatient/outpatient unit forming one of the most innovative units of its kind in the UK, providing out of hours services for patients, extensive nurse-led clinics within an inpatient/outpatient hub at CAH, supporting strong hub units at Daisy Hill, Armagh, and South Tyrone.
- (c) The use of **innovative teledermatology** (2008) – only centre in NI and 2nd UK allows cancer screening can be carried out in peripheral units and encrypted photos interpreted by consultants in the hub; **66% “red flag” can be lifted in 72 hours**. I am pleased to see previous pure experimental **research interests (1990s) now translated into current clinical practice**.
- (d) As **Editor-in-Chief, British Journal of Dermatology** (2005-8), I re-designed the journal and as a result of my personal leadership increased citation rate from 2.4 to 3.5 and the journal from **3rd to 2nd place in citation index** for dermatology journals. Increased the society income for the journal by almost 1/3 during period of editorship.
- (e) **Elected Hon Secretary British Association of Dermatologists** (2008-10). In this capacity help shape all aspects of national dermatology policy and directives, and aware of recent changes in practice. **Recently elected Hon Treasurer for the period 2010-14**.



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Name Dr Frank Casey

GMC No 3222847

Specialty Paediatric Cardiology

I am the Lead Clinician for Paediatric Cardiology in the Royal Hospitals. I have guided the high quality service provided by involving all team members in service development and introducing the innovations listed below. I established the regional fetal cardiology service and continue to direct it as the area of antenatal diagnosis expands. I have established a training course in fetal echocardiography for radiographers to improve antenatal rates of congenital heart disease (CHD) in Northern Ireland. This has led to an increase in antenatal detection rates of CHD from 23% to 43% in 2008.

I have led the development of Telemedicine to the field of Paediatric Cardiology. I am recognised internationally as an expert in this field and have established the Paediatric cardiology department at The Royal Belfast Hospital for Sick Children as the leading centre in Europe in the use of Telemedicine for diagnosis and care for children with congenital heart disease. I direct the research programme in the Paediatric cardiology department. Two of my MD students will graduate in 2009. I am an honorary senior lecturer in the Department of Child Health, Queen's University, Belfast and co-ordinate the teaching of Paediatric cardiology for medical students. I have a particular interest in the psychosocial and educational outcome for children after surgery for congenital heart disease. In Jan 09 I was elected chairman of The Association of European Paediatric Cardiology Working group on Psychosocial Care in CHD.



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Name Dr Diane Corrigan

GMC No 2758116

Specialty Public Health Medicine

Increasing demographic pressures, technological innovation and changing standards of clinical care result in continual challenges to commissioners of services to maintain existing services and meet new demands within the finite funds available. I chair the team which provided advice to the legacy SHSSB and now the Public Health Agency and the Board on Southern area acute service commissioning. I am also a member of the Project Team of the Regional Medical Services Group which coordinates the investment decisions of the five Local Commissioning Groups in respect of regional acute services. I have chaired a wide range of committees and groups at both regional and local level on behalf of the Chief Medical Officer, the four legacy Boards, or the DPH. I have to engage with senior clinicians and managers to ensure that the services they deliver are effective, patient-centred and provided in the most efficient way possible. I have to maintain my medical knowledge across a wide range of specialties in order to effectively engage with clinical staff, sometimes challenging them to work in new ways, with a different skill mix or in a new location. An important part of doing the job well is to build relationships with clinical staff so that there is an acceptance that the issues raised by me on behalf of the Agency are clinically credible. There is a track record to show that the legacy SHSSB acute team commissions innovative developments which result in substantially improved services to patients.



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Name Dr Peter John Garrett

GMC No 2276625

Specialty Renal Medicine, General Medicine

I am Lead Clinician of the Western Trust's Department of Metabolic Medicine and represent Northern Ireland on the Clinical Affairs Committee of the Renal Association.

- In the last year the Western Renal Service has consolidated its position as an autonomous and fully comprehensive specialty delivering a demonstrably excellent and assured quality of care to the population of the western part of Northern Ireland.
- The platform for this development has been a satellite unit in a small DGH and progress has been achieved in the context of considerable service pressures in acute general medicine and medical endoscopy with relatively scant medical trainee support, geographically remote from regional specialist colleagues and single handed in my main specialty for many years.
- This has furthermore been in the face of enormous and protracted organisational change.
- While progress has depended on the support of my multidisciplinary team, colleagues locally and regionally, and visionary individuals in management and commissioning authorities, I believe my leadership role in this achievement has been pivotal.
- I can now point to recognition of the quality of the service by external benchmarking, in the form of the UK Renal Registry, and by national (BMJ Group) and international (European Health Forum) quality awards.



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Name Dr John Trevor Lawson

GMC No 1392658

Specialty Radiology

I am totally **committed to the NHS** and have held a full time contract since my appointment. I am recognised as providing an **excellent clinical service** to patients and referring clinicians. I have always worked in excess of my contracted hours. Clinical and non-clinical team building are important and I have organised many events within the Hospital over the years. I believe that it is essential for Doctors to have **leadership and management skills** and I was the first Clinical Director in Radiology in the Belfast City Hospital Trust – for 6 years. I have given radiological advice to the eastern Area Board and the DoH / DHSSPSNI for many years. I have provided advice to the Royal College of Radiologists locally and nationally serving on the Northern Ireland Standing Committee and as a member of the Regional Chairmen's Committee. I am committed to **teaching and training** the radiologists of the future. I was Clinical Tutor in Radiology from 1996 to 2004 and was appointed the Head of Training / Programme Director for the Northern Ireland Radiology Training Scheme in 2004. In 2007 I was appointed the first **Head of School** for Radiology in Northern Ireland. I was appointed an **FRCR part 2 examiner** in 2004 – only the third from Northern Ireland in over 30 years. This requires considerable commitment in time and preparation of examination material in comparison with other Royal Colleges mostly in my own time and I am currently Senior Examiner.



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Name Dr Albert John McNeill

GMC No 2589301

Specialty Cardiology

Over the past year my role as lead clinician in cardiology, providing a high-quality, patient-centred, evidence-based, equitable and accessible clinical service has intensified with the challenging but successful transfer of acute services from the Tyrone County site, the establishment of a nurse-led cardiac assessment unit there, and the development of percutaneous coronary intervention on the Altnagelvin site, planned to be operational in autumn 2009. As clinical lead I have developed a trust-wide network utilising the skills of medical and specialist nursing staff who co-operate to provide a seamless, equitable and patient-centred cardiology service delivered acutely from the Altnagelvin, Tyrone County and Erne hospital sites with out-patient clinics in the Roe Valley hospital. The network extends to the Belfast Trust with arrangements for Western Trust cardiologists to perform percutaneous coronary intervention and electrophysiological procedures for Western Trust patients there until an interventional service is provided in Altnagelvin. My principal and primary role as a clinical cardiologist is evidenced by the data for my inpatient, outpatient, day case and investigational work. I provide professional leadership within the trust by making myself available to members of the multidisciplinary team for clinical and educational advice and support and to encourage their development. I also provide wider leadership through my work on the council of the Irish Cardiac Society, my role as link fellow and examiner for the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, and my work on the Northern Ireland Cardiology network. I have continued my interest in health promotion, especially smoking cessation work and now chair the Western Trust Smoke-free trust committee.



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Name Dr James Irvine Morrow

GMC No 2643630

Specialty Neurology

- Epilepsy is the most common disabling Neurological disorder. My clinical and research work is internationally renowned and I am rated one of the top international experts in the field.
- I am a Consultant Neurologist in the Royal Group of Hospitals, Belfast City Hospital and Honorary Reader, Queen's University. Since my appointment in June 1989 I have worked to establish, not only high quality local service provision, but also worked with others, in my capacity as Clinical Director, Lead Clinician and Principal Investigator, to develop services for patients with neurological disease across Northern Ireland. I have also established innovative services eg an Epilepsy pre-conception service, a joint Epilepsy Obstetric clinic, a National Epilepsy database and an Epilepsy and Pregnancy freephone helpline.
- I have a significant number of peer reviewed publications, 2 Books, 8 Book Chapters, 12 Research Prizes / Awards 59 Peer reviewed publications (+ 2 in press) (some of which are now worldwide top cited articles). My research has heightened awareness, impacted on neurological practice world wide and changed prescribing habits (My work has been consistently cited in the Royal Society of Medicine, SIGN and NICE guidelines).



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Name Dr Michael Julian Reid Parker

GMC No 2644181

Specialty Obstetrics and Gynaecology

I was appointed consultant in obstetrics and gynaecology in Altnagelvin Area Hospital, Londonderry in December 1991. Since then I have provided strong clinical leadership within the Team. I believe that appraisal and revalidation are essential to maintain good practice. I have completed 6 annual consultant appraisals and two 5-year CPD cycles with the RCOG in London.

As Clinical Director of the Women and Children's Directorate for 7 years, I established Clinical Governance in the Directorate with risk management, clinical incident reporting, consultant appraisals and introduction of quality improvements. In October 2007, I was appointed Divisional Director for Women's Services in the newly formed Western Health and Social Care Trust. I am the Hospital Clinical Audit Co-ordinator and Chair of the Audit Committee. I have responsibility for organising audits to ensure recognised standards are met and I regularly participate in National Audits.

Teaching and training of junior staff is vitally important. I have always been an enthusiastic teacher and frequently lecture at specialty meetings. I examine in Membership and Diploma at RCOG, London and RCPI, Dublin and I am a member of the examination committees in both colleges. In recognition for my work with the Royal College of Physicians, Ireland I was awarded an honorary FRCPI in March 2007.



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Name Mr William John Primrose

GMC No 01389335

Specialty Otolaryngology

1. 22 years as an ENT Consultant in the Royal Victoria Hospital with a special interest in Head & Neck Surgery
2. Established practice with large referral base from GPs and other consultants throughout the Province
3. Lead Clinician in Head & Neck Cancer 1999-2009
4. Clinical Director in ENT 2003-2008
5. Strong commitment to Teaching and Training including Co-author of an ENT Textbook for Medical Students and fostering cross border co-operation in ENT through the Royal College of Surgeons (RCSI) and the IOS
6. Secretary of the Irish Otolaryngology Society (IOS) 1997-2005, current Council Member and President elect 2009
7. Irish Representative on the European Federation of Otolaryngology Societies (EUFOS)
8. Author of several book chapters including most recently "Juvenile recurrent respiratory papillomatosis" VIIth edition of Scott Brown's Otolaryngology Vol E
9. 22 Peer review publications, four in the past three years



NICEAC STEP 9 AWARD 2009

Name Dr Thomas John Trinder

GMC No 3140011

Specialty Anaesthetics & Intensive Care

Since 1997, by working well over and above contract, I have successfully:

- Enhanced the quality of treatment delivered to the most vulnerable & severely ill patients cared for in the health service
as evidenced by my ICU's performance in national benchmarking of casemix adjusted mortality, and various awards

by increasing access – progressively increased provision & recently as Lead for design of a new 16-bed ICU opening 2010

by early introduction of new evidence-based therapeutic strategies, conducting research & audit

by introducing, managing & maintaining a model of organization of critical care demonstrated to produce better outcomes
- Increased patient safety by
championing critical incident reporting well ahead of its value becoming widely recognised, and developing it since

designing and rolling out Early Warning Scoring considerably prior to & since the Murtagh-influenced DHSS imperative
- Assured efficiency of the expensive resource of critical care
as evidenced by introduction of the national Cost Block method to benchmark expenditure against national comparators

by leading introduction of better measures of performance
- Achieved Regional collaboration & improvement: Critical Care Managed Network, HSC/NHS Research Ethics, Pandemic Flu



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Name Dr Thomas Richard Trinick

GMC No 1389414

Specialty Clinical Biochemistry/General Medicine

LOCAL As Clinical Director for Laboratory Medicine at the Ulster Hospital for 19 years from 1989, I play a key role in development of the service – e.g. promoting growth in Consultant numbers from 3 to 9, active engagement in planning of a new 'state of the art' laboratory, development of new diagnostic services. I have additional full time role as a Consultant in General Medicine with inpatient, outpatient and on call commitments with 980 FCE's last year. I have initiated an erectile dysfunction clinic and a testosterone deficiency clinic in 2006. **REGIONAL** I was appointed Visiting Professor at the University of Ulster in 2008 in recognition of my research contribution. I chaired both the Eastern Board AMAC for 8 years and the Eastern Board Audit Committee for 12 years developing quality processes. I am a founding chair of the 'Guidelines and Audit Implementation Network' at the Department of Health from May 07. I am a RCPATH College Tutor and served on the RCPATH NI Regional Council. **INTERNATIONAL** I am on the Part 1 exam Board of the RCPI in Dublin and was 1 of 3 founding members of the Irish Hyperlipidaemia Association and President in 2001. I am external Scientific Advisor to the Irish Heart Foundation Science Committee from 1999. I am a Director and current Chairman of an International registered Medical charity no.1088008 'The Andropause Society' and organise training meetings and lecture Internationally e.g. St Petersburg 2006 www.andropause.org.uk