

News Release

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Hospital Appoints Interim Chief Executive

Dorset County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust has appointed Sue Sutherland as Interim CEO to cover the period from the departure of Derek Smith on 9 July 2010 until the arrival of Jean O'Callaghan on 1 September 2010.

Mrs Sutherland retired as CEO of Poole Hospital in March. She starts with Dorset County Hospital on 2 July 2010.

Dorset County Hospital Chairman Dr Jeffrey Ellwood said: "We are very fortunate to have secured the services of such an experienced CEO who is already well known in this area."

Before joining Poole Hospital, Mrs Sutherland was the Chief Executive of UK Transplant, a Special Health Authority responsible for transplantation services in the UK. Her career has spanned 34 years both in the NHS and with a major health charity. She worked as a nurse and midwife in London, Cheshire and Surrey before embarking on a career in NHS management during which she gained postgraduate qualifications in Human Resource Management. Prior to becoming a Chief Executive she held a number of executive director posts in the acute sector including Director of Nursing, Director of Human Resources and Director of Operations.

Mrs Sutherland was awarded the OBE in the Queen's Honours List in June 2006.

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