## Professor Donna Mead appointed chair of Velindre NHS Trust

Professor Donna Mead OBE takes over from Rosemary Kennedy.

The Health Secretary said:

"I am very pleased to announce the appointment of Professor Donna Meade as the new chair of Velindre NHS Trust. Professor Meade brings a wealth of experience and knowledge of the NHS to this role. It is an important and challenging time for the NHS in Wales as we look to deliver a health service fit for the future and Professor Meade's enthusiasm and knowledge will help drive that work forward."

## Donna said:

"I am absolutely delighted to be appointed Chair of Velindre NHS Trust. Like everyone who lives in Wales and beyond I am aware of the awesome reputation that all aspects of the Trust has for service delivery. I consider it a huge privilege to be given the opportunity to serve the staff, patients and blood donors who receive services from Velindre Trust. I realise that the outgoing chair, Rosemary Kennedy, has left me with very big shoes to fill and that will be one of my challenges. I am joining the Trust at an exciting time and look forward to seeing the many important plans come to fruition."

As a registered nurse, Donna brings more than 40 years-service in the NHS and education and has been an independent member in several NHS organisations. Donna is also a trustee of St John (Cymru) Wales and a governor at Neath Port Talbot Group College. Her academic credentials include a PhD and recently received an Honorary Doctorate of Science from Swansea University.