



UK Health
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By Email to: commonssitc@parliament.uk
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Dear Chair,

Leadership update at UK Health Security Agency

We are pleased to inform you and the committee members that Professor Susan Hopkins has been appointed as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) at UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) and will take up the role in September.

You will of course be familiar with Susan from her former role as Chief Medical Advisor (CMA) in UKHSA, over recent years Susan has provided this committee with expert advice on various health protection matters.

Susan's priorities are ensuring that UKHSA continue to deliver excellence in health protection and security, strengthening our capabilities and systems, and demonstrating the long-term value of prevention and preparedness.

Dyfed Alsop is the Chief Operating Officer and will continue to act as Deputy CEO. As an interim measure, we will appoint a director within the CMA group to cover CMA responsibilities until a permanent appointment is made.

Yours sincerely,

UK Health Security Agency