

Ann James

Ann James is Chief Executive of University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust and has held this role since 2012. Ann has held Chief Executive roles across all health care sectors, including provider and commissioner roles for the last 18 years. Initially working in the private sector, Ann started her NHS career in 1989 as a National Management Trainee and has held various roles around the country. Focusing on population based health and service improvement Ann supports city wide forums including the Growth Board, Health and Well Being Board, One Plymouth and working with industry. Committed to raising life chances and addressing inequalities Ann holds various roles including Chair of the South West Leadership Academy, lead Chief Executive across the Devon STP for specific areas of transformation. Ann increasingly speaks at regional and national conferences on leadership and women in leadership. In 2014 Ann was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Health from Plymouth University.