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FW: Announcement of appointment of Children's champion

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To: "THORNE, Darren (FACERE MELIUS)"

Kind regards
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Dear Duncan

I wish to draw your attention to the events that occurred at yesterday's QSPEC where I was put into an unacceptably uncomfortable position.

Ian presented an update to committee on the NNU action plan. In it, an action had been closed indicating I had been appointed children's champion and that I would be attending monthly meetings. Further, at the end of the meeting, when I challenged Ian, Alison and Andrew that no discussion had been held with me on this "appointment" Ian commented that the paediatricians had been asking him (and I paraphrase), " who is this person whose name keeps being mentioned because we haven't heard from her".

I am most disappointed and troubled that the professional courtesy has not been extended to me to consult on the appointment, but also that this has been compounded by the Executive choosing to announce it quite widely. I have been put in such an awkward and unprofessional situation and urgently require that it is made clear to the department that the announcement was made without my knowledge, hence I have not been in contact to date. Furthermore, I, as I am sure you would, like to understand whether any other parties, internal or external to the COCH, have been notified about this new responsibility to date, either verbally or via a copy

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of the action plan.

Moving forward and at my request, Ian and I are meeting on Friday morning so I can understand the ask and whether I consider it appropriate.

We should pick this up in our one to one next Tuesday but in the meantime if you require further details or discussion please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards

Rachel

Sent from my iPad