

Alan Foster MBE
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Alan Foster is the ICS Executive Lead for North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care System (ICS). Prior to this, he was Chief Executive of North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust.

Born in County Durham, he is committed to improving services and the quality of life for people in the North East and North Cumbria. In 1973 Alan commenced his career as a Trainee Accountant and has carried out a number of senior finance positions within the NHS, one of which led North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust through a period of financial recovery.

Alan is a national Board member of NHS Providers and the North East and Cumbria Academic Health Science Network. He has been instrumental in transforming health services through partnerships with commissioners. He has also been actively involved in furthering research and development and medical and nursing training through regional partnership working.

His passion for excellent patient care and experience is as strong as it was the day he joined the NHS. His belief in the board to ward approach is clearly demonstrated with quality and patient experience being at the top of every board agenda.

He was awarded an MBE for services to the health service in 2013.