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# Council of Governors' Report 2018-19

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# Who are our Governors?

SECAMB has a Council of Governors which consists of 25 people:

- 14 Public Governors, elected by our members
- 4 Staff Governors, elected by staff
- 7 Appointed Governors, from organisations SECAMB works closely with, including a local authority, a charity, a mental healthcare provider, a community trust, the police and a local acute hospital.



# What do Governors do?

In a nutshell, Governors ensure our Trust is putting patients, employees and volunteers at the heart of its decision making.

We act as 'critical friends', offering constructive challenge, via the Non-Executive Directors.



# During 2018-19



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# Representing your interests

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## External events

- Brighton Pride and TransPride
- Clinical Commissioning Group meetings
- MENCAP festival
- Patient Participation Group meetings at GP surgeries
- Stroke services meetings
- Service transformation oversight meetings with our commissioners and partners
- Meeting with the Care Quality Commission

## Internal events

- Quality Account (clinical priorities) workshops
- Patient Experience Strategy development workshops
- SECAMB as a membership organisation workshop – along with the Board
- Observations of Board Committees
- SECAMB quality assurance visits to various premises

# In 2019-20

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# How you can help us



Becoming a member makes it easy for us to stay in touch with you, and vice versa!





# Why become a member?

We all use the NHS and we all have a stake in it.

Foundation Trusts, with a Council of Governors and public and staff members, have the opportunity to communicate with and involve members in ensuring we provide the best possible services.

As a Foundation Trust, SECAMB is accountable to you.  
**Being a member gives you a voice.**





# Thank you for your time.

Please fill in a membership form today,  
or contact the Membership Office on  
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