## **Cynthia Conquest**

I am an experienced ex NHS Director of Finance with a wide portfolio of NHS experience covering 44 years.

I have worked in all aspects of financial services and in all types of healthcare settings; large acute teaching hospitals, specialist hospitals, mental health and community services. I have a high level of experience in all financial and healthcare processes with a specialty in financial management and transformation.

My diverse experience includes the education sector either through charity work or paid employment as an interim or consultant and the hospice sector through my voluntary work and being part of the various Committees at the Hospice. I have also had experience in being the Chair of the Audit Committee for a GP Confederation in London for several years.

I am currently the Chair of the Audit Committee and the Senior Independent Director for Royal Papworth Hospital in Cambridge. I have recently taken up a role as Governor for a school in Colchester which provides Alternative Provision for children aged 5 - 16, most of whom have found it difficult to be successful in a mainstream school.

I have a master's degree in Business Administration (MBA) from Warwick University and I am a Fellow Member of the professional body the Chartered Institute of Public Finance & Accountancy (CIPFA).