



News Release

Viapath strengthens leadership team with new Chief Operating Officer

London, UK, 1 July 2014: Viapath is pleased to announce a key addition to its executive leadership team with the appointment of Dougie Dryburgh to the position of Chief Operating Officer, reporting to Richard Jones, CEO, effective June 30, 2014.

Dougie complements Viapath's existing team as the company continues to drive the business forward and deliver on its commitment to the transformation of pathology services in the UK.

Bringing a valuable mix of public and private sector expertise to the organisation, Dougie will lead the operational and business management of Viapath, with the task to deliver progressive quality and service excellence in scientific and clinical services for Viapath's NHS Trust partners.

Following a career in the Royal Air Force, Dougie was appointed Group Operations Director of the NHS Blood & Transplant Service until he took up his most recent role as Director, Military Test & Evaluation with QinetiQ plc. Dougie has led large scale organisations and has a significant track record of successful change leadership in complex operating environments.

Dougie replaces Rab McEwan who has been fulfilling the role on an interim basis since 2012.

Picture of Mr Dougie Dryburgh attached

Editors Note

Viapath LLP was previously known as GSTS Pathology LLP and rebranded as Viapath on 1 May 2014.

The organisation was created five years ago by Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust and Serco plc. Later in 2009, the joint venture won a contract to provide pathology services to Bedford Hospital NHS Trust. In 2010, King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust became a member. Viapath is now majority owned by two leading teaching hospitals.

Pathology is vital to health care and it is estimated that 70-80% of all health care decisions affecting diagnosis or treatment involve a pathology investigation. Viapath provides pathology services to over 400 NHS trusts, GP practices and private health clinics. With around 1,000 employees processing more than 22 million tests each year, the work of Viapath touches thousands of lives every day.

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