



# VALUE MAKER ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Friday 24 November 2023 – Hybrid, [Leonardo Royal Hotel London St Pauls](#) / Online.

## AGENDA

09:30 Registration

10:00 Chairs Welcome and Introduction

*Suzanne Robinson*, Director of Finance, Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS FT & Senior Responsible Officer (SRO) for Value Makers – Chair

10:05 The Value Maker Network

During this session, you'll have the opportunity to hear from the Value Maker SRO and some of our esteemed network members, as they share their personal perspectives on what it truly means to be a Value Maker. Whether you're considering joining the network yourself or seeking to promote it within your organisation, you'll gain valuable insights into the various ways you can connect and engage with the Value Maker Network.

*Suzanne Robinson*, Director of Finance, Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS FT & Senior Responsible Officer for Value Makers – Chair, *Shona Metcalfe*, Director of Finance, NHS Kent and Medway ICB, *Beth Pidduck*, Finance Transactions Manager, Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

11:00 Break

11:30 Making NHS Finance a great place to work

At the heart of the Future-Focused Finance programme is a key objective: to make NHS finance into a truly exceptional place to work. One of the most important components of this initiative is the Accreditation programme, which recognises and celebrates finance functions that have achieved outstanding levels of excellence. During this panel session, you'll have the opportunity to hear directly from three highly engaged organisations that have achieved Level 3 accreditation. Discover what sets these exceptional organisations apart and gain valuable insights into what it takes to achieve and maintain this level of success.

*Gayle Wells, Director of Operations, MIAA, Elaine Cross, Assistant Director of Finance, Leeds Teaching Hospitals and Jamie Bewick, Head of Financial Accounts, Sussex Community NHS Foundation Trust*

#### **12:10 Showcase Sessions**

One of the most significant advantages of being part of the Value Maker network is the opportunity to share and showcase innovative practices and initiatives. This session offers a unique chance to discover exciting projects and initiatives that are being implemented in other organisations across the country. But that's not all - following the event, you'll have the chance to delve deeper into these topics by booking onto dedicated sessions that explore them in greater detail. All of these sessions will be available to book on the One NHS Finance website following the event. If you'd like to be involved in showcasing some of the work your organisation or system has been working on, then please get in touch!

#### **12:25 Lunch**

Through an extended lunch break and explore a diverse range of stalls designed to showcase exciting initiatives, innovations, networks, and best practices to all in-person delegates. Discover valuable resources and connect with like-minded professionals as you peruse the many stalls and learn about the latest developments across the Value Maker network.

#### **13:15 Careers Panel**

During this informative Careers Panel, we'll delve into the many pathways available for accessing NHS Finance at various points throughout one's career. Our panel of speakers includes individuals who have entered the field as apprentices and at different levels up to CFOs. You'll gain valuable insights into how these accomplished professionals navigated their career paths, the benefits they have enjoyed along the way, and the types of careers they have built within the NHS Finance.

*Daryl Cockman, Head of Financial Development, East Suffolk and North Essex NHS Foundation Trust, Hannah Belok, Finance Graduate Trainee, NHS Suffolk and North East Sussex ICB and John Beswick, Chief Financial Officer, Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust*

#### **14:00 Celebrating Success – Value Maker Awards Presentation**

Our Annual Awards recognise the hard work of our Value Makers in their organisations and wider health communities and offer an excellent opportunity to recognise achievements within NHS finance nationally.

Alongside our four nominated awards based on our Four Strengths Framework, we will be presenting national outstanding contribution awards to individuals who have made significant contributions to the Value Maker network and the aims of Future-Focused Finance. To recognise the Finance and Clinical Educator who has gone above and beyond to educate clinicians and non-finance staff over the past year, we will also be presenting the FACE award.

*Suzanne Robinson, Director of Finance, Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS FT & Senior Responsible Officer for Value Makers – Chair*

#### **14:25 Break**

**14:55 Guest Speaker**

*Elliott Rae, Speaker, Author, Documentary presenter*

As well as being one of the UK's most prominent speakers on fatherhood, masculinity and men's mental health, Elliott Rae is also the founder of the parenting platform MusicFootballFatherhood, called the 'Mumsnet for Dads' by the BBC. MusicFootballFatherhood is all about open conversations around fatherhood, and Elliott works with dads through content and community events to discuss topics such as loss, masculinity and mental health. Elliott founded the platform after being diagnosed with PTSD as a new dad after the traumatic birth of his daughter. Elliott presented the seminal BBC One documentary 'Becoming Dad' in January 2022 and is a regular media commentator on issues around fatherhood and mental health, having written for The Independent and The Telegraph and featured live on Loose Women, BBC News, Channel 4 and Radio 5 Live. In addition to this, Elliott has had a long career in Diversity, Equality and Inclusion and has held senior roles, including as Head of DEI Delivery at HM Treasury.

**15:55 Closing remarks**

*Suzanne Robinson, Director of Finance, Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS FT & Senior Responsible Officer for Value Makers – Chair*

**16:00 Conference Close**