



Launch Conference

Hope Change & Bottom Up

London Hilton Park Lane London W1K 1BE

Friday 4th June **2010**

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Background

A decade after the Stephen Lawrence Inquiry the frustration created by a foot dragging, bureaucratic inch-war was beginning to overwhelm BME NHS staff. Many had lost hope that race equality could become a reality in the NHS in our lifetimes. In 2009 two events generated fresh hope, notably in the United States Barack Obama an African-American transformed electoral history by becoming the first US Black President and here at home a movement that had begun quietly in one hospital in Brighton, spread organically across the whole NHS South East Coast region and established itself nationwide.

The movement was energised by the *Race Equality Service Review* undertaken by the South East Coast BME Network in 2008, which served to remove any doubt from claims that racism is alive in the NHS.

A determination to do something about racism in the NHS became the driving force for the establishment of an independent NHS BME Network and on 5th June 2009 400 BME professionals and Senior Leaders gave an overwhelming mandate to the Network leadership to proceed with the establishment of a National Network based on the tripartite principles of *Hope, Change and Bottom Up*.

An Independent BME Voice on Race Equality

During August and September 2009, BME staff in all ten Strategic Health Authority Regions were consulted on the NHS National Network's organising principles and what should be contained in its National Operating Framework. It was agreed that what makes the National Network a distinct movement is that it provides: *'an independent and effective voice for BME staff, BME patients and BME service users to ensure the NHS delivers on its statutory duties regarding race equality'*.

Who Should Attend

- BME staff
- BME patients
- BME Service Users
- BME Community Representatives
- Chief Executive Officers
- Independent Race Consultants
- NHS Managers
- Non-Executive Directors
- Regulators
- Trade Unions

This conference marks the point in time when BME staff and their allies come together to insist that the NHS raises its game and affords everyone the standards of fairness expected of a modern professional institution. If you share this aspiration join us in our efforts to separate the NHS from its regrettable past. The NHS BME Network Launch Conference will discuss the current reality with influential decision-makers and present fresh approaches on how to promote race equality in the NHS.

Programme Details

- 08.30 - 09.30 Registration & Refreshments
- 09.30 - 09.40 **Welcome**
Joel O'Loughlin
CEO
Gravitas Group
- 09.40 - 10.00 **Hope, Change and Bottom Up!**
Dr Vivienne Lyfar-Cissé
Transitional Lead
NHS BME Network
- 10.00 - 10.30 **Improving Quality: The Importance of Race Equality in Leadership**
Sir David Nicholson
NHS CEO
Department of Health
- 10.30 - 11.00 **Uniting Policy and Practice**
Professor Mike Cooke
CEO
Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust
- 11.00 - 11.30 Refreshments
- 11.30 - 11.45 **A Personal Story**
- 11.45 - 13.00 **Panel Debate**
- 13.00 - 14.00 Lunch
- 14.00 - 14.30 **Ethnic Inequalities in Health**
Professor James Nazroo
Professor of Sociology
University of Manchester
- 14.30 - 14.50 **Regulation - It's Contribution to Race Equality**
Cynthia Bower
CEO
Care Quality Commission
- 14.50 - 15.15 Refreshments
- 15.15 - 16.15 **Panel Debate**
- 16.15 - 16.30 **Closing Remarks**
Lord Herman Ouseley
Patron
NHS BME Network
- 19.30 - 20.00 Drinks Reception
- 20.00 - 02.00 Dinner/Dance

Speakers & Panellists

Cynthia Bower

CEO
Care Quality Commission

Clare Chapman

Director General of Workforce
Department of Health

Professor Mike Cooke

CEO
Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust

Dame Barbara Hakin

CEO
NHS East Midlands

Malcolm Lowe-Lauri

CEO
University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust

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Jon Restell

CEO
Managers in Partnership

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SHA Region _____

Ethnic Origin:

Asian Other Asian UK Bangladeshi Black African Black Caribbean
 Black Other Black UK Chinese Indian Irish Pakistani
 White Other White UK
 Other _____

Method of Payment:

- (i) Book on-line at www.nhsbmenetwork.org.uk
 - (ii) Cheque enclosed
(Made payable to NHS BME Network, quoting delegate's name and organisation on the reverse).
 - (iii) Please invoice, quoting purchase order number
- Payment must be received no later than 30 days from the date of invoice.
 We are unable to accept telephone or provisional bookings.

Address for invoice (if different from above)

Special Requirements (diet/access/loop system etc).

	Rate	Please tick
Members	£200	
Non-Members	£250	
Dinner/Dance	£75	

Joining Instructions

You will receive a programme before the event as confirmation of your place at the conference. The programme will also include directions to the venue.

Conference Capacity

Places at this event are limited so please book well in advance. If we receive your application form and the conference is full, we will notify you and put your name on a waiting list.

Cancellations

If you are unable to attend the event, please notify us in writing as soon as possible. Where a written cancellation is received by 15 May 2010, a full refund is offered. After this time, the full conference fee will apply. Substitutions can be made at any stage.

Changes to Programme

The NHS BME Network reserves the right to alter timings, sessions, speakers, and venue where necessary. In the event of this conference being amended or cancelled due to terrorism or the threat of terrorism, the NHS BME Network cannot refund any payments made.

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As soon as possible and no later than 15th May 2010

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