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Long-serving NHS Trust Chief Executive to retire

After a long and dedicated career spanning 36 years in the NHS, Lorraine Lambert, Chief Executive at South Tyneside NHS Foundation Trust, will retire later this year.

Mrs Lambert, who joined the NHS straight from university, has always worked in the North East, spending periods in Gateshead and Sunderland and a total of 25 years in South Tyneside, the last 18 years as Chief Executive at the Trust.

Chairman Peter Davidson commented: "We will be immensely sad to see Lorraine leave us. She has led the Trust with absolute commitment and dedication throughout her time in post. She is a fierce advocate of the NHS and of high quality patient care. Her support for NHS staff and services is renowned and she leaves an outstanding legacy for her replacement."

Mrs Lambert said: "I am very sad to be leaving what has been a lifelong and deeply happy career doing a job that I love in an organisation of which I am incredibly proud. Having decided that this is the right time to retire, I feel I can do so knowing that we have had many outstanding achievements in the time I have been Chief Executive, working alongside Peter as Chairman, and that we have well-developed plans for a strong, successful and exciting future to hand on to the next generation of leaders."

The search for a new Chief Executive will begin immediately, with a view to Mrs Lambert standing down in September of this year.

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Pictured above: Lorraine Lambert, Chief Executive

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