



Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte
Health Service Executive

HSE Board Briefing Template

Subject: Audit and Risk Committee Reappointment of External Members.

Submitted for meeting on: **27th May 2022**

Name & title of author:

Why is this information being brought to the Boards attention?

Decisions relating to membership of the Committees of the Board is a reserved function of the board.

Is there an action by the Board required, if so please provide detail?:

The Board is requested to re-appoint the following persons as external members of the Audit & Risk Committee for a further term of 2 years until 30th June 2024.

- Brigadier General Colm Campbell
- Mr Pat Kirwan
- Ms Anne Markey
- Mr Martin Pitt

Please indicate which of the Boards objectives this relates to ;

- The development and implementing of an effective Corporate Governance Framework, incorporating clinical governance and a performance management and accountability system;
- Developing a plan for building public trust and confidence in the HSE and the wider health service;
- Ensuring the HSE's full support for and implementation of the Government's programme of health reform as set out in the Sláintecare Implementation Strategy;
- Exercising effective budgetary management, including improving the value achieved with existing resources and securing target saving, with the objective of delivering the National Service Plan within Budget.

Brief summary of link to Board objectives.

The Board has established an Audit and Risk Committee which is a statutory requirement under Section 40H of the Health Act 2004 as inserted by Section 23 of the Health Service Executive (Governance) Act 2019 and is in line with good governance.

Background - provide context in order to ensure that the Board fully understand the issue.

Brigadier General Colm Campbell, Pat Kirwan, and Anne Markey were previously appointed by the Board at the Board meeting on 26th July 2019 (decision no. 2607/08). Martin Pitt was previously appointed to the committee by the Board at the October meeting (decision no. 181019/27).

It is proposed that the four members are reappointed for a further two years to the Audit and Risk Committee. Their continued external membership of the committee seeks to augment the expertise of the Board members with suitably qualified and experienced individuals.

Highlight any implications that the Board should be made aware of in its consideration such as;

- Current status
- Budget
- Resources
- Impact to delivery of services
- Corporate Plan
- Slaintecare
- Social factors (e.g, impact on specific area such as the elderly, disabilities)
- Technological factors
- Legal factors

Recommendation:

The Board is requested to approve the reappointment of Ann Markey, Pat Kirwan, Colm Campbell and Martin Pitt as external members of the Audit and Risk Committee for two years until June 2024

Anne Markey, Consultant and Non-Executive Director.

Anne is a Chartered Accountant and is qualified in terms of tax advisory work and as a Corporate Treasurer. Following advisory roles in public practice she spent 16 years in senior financial positions with ESB, ultimately as Director of Financial Transformation. She is a Director of two state bodies, in both of which she chairs the Audit & Risk Committees – viz. Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland and also the Digital Hub Development Authority.

Pat Kirwan, Deputy Director, State Claims Agency

Pat Kirwan has been involved in occupational health, safety and property and litigation risk management from the outset of his career. He has worked in a consultant and senior management role in a wide range of industry types including healthcare, service, food processing, construction, transport, quarrying and brewing/drinks. Pat is currently Deputy Director with special responsibility for risk and operations with the State Claims Agency.

Brigadier General Colm Campbell

Brigadier General Colm Campbell retired from the Defence Forces in January 2016. He has served overseas on United Nations tours in Lebanon, the Golan Heights, Jerusalem and Afghanistan. His roles in Ireland include Military Assistant to the Chief of Staff, Commandant of the Cadet School, Director of Strategic Planning for the Defence Forces, and most recently as Assistant Chief of Staff. Brigadier General Campbell was Risk Manager for the Defence Forces from March 2012 to January 2016. He was centrally involved in updating the risk management capstone doctrine for the Defence Forces. This ensured that the Defence Forces were in line with internationally recognised standards (OHSAS 18001:2007). He then directed and supervised the implementation of the new practices within the organisation at the Strategic, Operational and Tactical Levels. A review of Risk Assessments for the entire organisation was also conducted during this period and additionally he had overall responsibility for the implementation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS).

Martin Pitt

Martin is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Ireland who worked as an audit partner for PricewaterhouseCoopers until his retirement in 2018. He is currently Chair of the Northern Ireland Audit Office Advisory Board. With over thirty years of experience, Martin led the charity and public sector practice in Northern Ireland and Scotland working extensively in the Health sector. Having spent eighteen months on secondment at an acute health Trust in NI, he was the audit partner for the Health and Social Care Board (Commissioner), Business Services Organisation (logistics and IT support service for health bodies in NI) as well as all the Health Trusts in Northern Ireland (providers) and a number of the specialised agencies. He also undertook the audit for Health Improvement Scotland and Western Isles NHS Trust. Martin is a member of the Health Financial Managers Association and is a specialist in governance and risk management.

