

NHS North West

Festival of Leadership



Leading in a political environment

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Welcome, Introductions & Overview of the Session

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Workshop Outcomes

- Understand that politics extends far beyond party politics and Westminster.
- Recognise how power and influence operate within integrated health and care systems.
- Build confidence in working with elected members, communities and partners.
- Identify practical political leadership behaviours they can apply immediately.
- Leave with one personal commitment to strengthen their political leadership capability.

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Over to you

Please can you share with us...

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Sharing our experiences of working in a political environment

In conversation Keith & Gillian

Q&A



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Back to you.....Table Discussions

Everyone to introduce themselves and their role and answer these questions:



1. From what you have heard, what resonates with you, and how does this relate to the world that you operate in?
2. What do you need to do to build on your current experience to lead effectively in a political environment?

Please start with one person then work around the table. When everyone has spoken agree 1 key takeaway from the table conversation to share in the room via menti.

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1 key takeaway from the table conversation - what resonates / what do you need?

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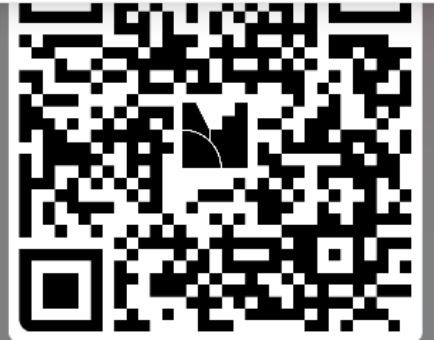
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Individual Reflection

Personal Reflection: "What is the one political leadership skill you want to further strengthen from today's discussion?"

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Thanks & Closing Reflections

Three key messages:

- Political leadership is a core leadership skill, not an optional extra.
 - Influence comes through relationships as much as authority.
 - Health equity requires leaders to understand who holds power and who lacks a voice.
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- Fancy some homework: “What conversations could you stimulate with your teams/in your organisation to help you lead more effectively in your political environment?”

Thank you for your participation – Let’s keep in touch!

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