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| **TITLE**  | **New chair appointed to Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board** |
| **DATE**  | **21 March 2023** |
| **BY** | **Eluned Morgan MS, Minister for Health and Social Services** |

Following a process of fair and open competition, I am pleased to announce the appointment of Jonathan Morgan as the new Chair of Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board for a term of four years.

Mr Morgan has extensive experience working with the housing and social care sector and since January 2022, has been an independent member on the Board of Health Education and Improvement Wales, developing skills, knowledge and experience in the health sector.

He is also a former Assembly Member and a former Chair of Health, Wellbeing and Local Government Committee.

Given his breadth of knowledge in this field, I welcome the appointment of Jonathan Morgan as the new chair of Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board. I am certain he will use his experience to shape relationships with partners for the benefit of the population and staff of Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board. I look forward to working with him as we continue to improve health services for local communities.

The Senedd’s Health and Social Care Committee held a pre-appointment hearing on 2 March and the committee concluded that based on his performance and responses to questioning, they saw no reason why Mr Morgan should not be appointed to the post.

Subject to the relevant pre-appointment checks, Mr Morgan will take up his position on 1 April 2023. This role is remunerated at £69,840 per annum, based on 15 days per month.

This appointment has been made in accordance with the Governance Code on Public Appointments, where all appointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process. In addition, and in compliance with the Nolan Principles, Mr Morgan has declared that he has no involvement in any political activity.

I also want to thank Emrys Elias for the role he has undertaken as interim chair since October 2021. He has led and supported the organisation and during this period the health board were successfully de-escalated from special measures for maternity services.