

# CABINET AND MINISTERIAL APPOINTMENTS FOLLOWING THE JUNE 2017 GENERAL ELECTION

Following the general election on 8 June, which resulted in a hung parliament with the Conservative party remaining as the largest party but losing its majority, NHS Providers has developed a briefing to set out the key appointments and developments. This briefing includes:

- An overview of the new Cabinet
- Ministerial appointments in the Department of Health and their portfolio responsibilities
- Details of key figures in the Treasury, the Department of Communities and Local Government (DCLG), the Cabinet Office
- Relevant Labour, Liberal Democrat and Democratic Unionist Party (DUP) figures
- What constitutes a confidence and supply agreement, given the Conservative party's intention to form a minority government with the support of the DUP
- An overview of the Liberal Democrat leadership election process, following the resignation of Tim Farron MP

NHS Providers is engaging with the new Department of Health ministerial team to ensure that they are aware of the most pressing issues for providers of NHS services, and will continue to work with all the main political parties to represent members' views.

## 1. KEY CABINET APPOINTMENTS FROM A HEALTH PERSPECTIVE

| Cabinet ministers                                       |                          |  |
|---|--------------------------|--|
| Prime Minister  | Rt Hon Theresa May MP    |  |
| Chancellor of the Exchequer                             | Rt Hon Philip Hammond MP |  |
| Secretary of State for Health                           | Rt Hon Jeremy Hunt MP    |  |
| Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government | Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP    |  |
| Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union       | Rt Hon David Davis MP    |  |
| Secretary of State for the Home Department              | Rt Hon Amber Rudd MP     |  |

| Also attending Cabinet meetings                              |                        |  |
|--|------------------------|--|
| First Secretary of State and Minister for the Cabinet Office | Rt Hon Damian Green MP |  |

A full list of Cabinet appointees is contained in the appendix of this briefing.



## 2. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH MINISTERIAL TEAM





Philip Dunne MP

Minister of State for Health



O'Shaughnessy
Parliamentary
Under Secretary of state for health



Steve Brine MP

Parliamentary
under secretary of
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## Rt Hon Jeremy Hunt MP, secretary of state for health

MP for South West Surrey, majority of 21,590

Jeremy Hunt has been re-appointed secretary of state for health. He has now been in post since September 2012, making him the second longest serving health secretary since the inception of the NHS.

#### Portfolio

Mr Hunt retains overall charge of all areas of health policy "with a particular focus on financial control and oversight of all NHS delivery and performance", and formal responsibility for mental health and "championing patients".

#### Parliamentary career

- Secretary of state for health since, 2012
- Secretary of state for culture, media and sport, 2010-12
- Shadow secretary of state for culture, media and sport and shadow deputy prime minister, 2007-10
- Shadow minister, department for work and pensions, 2005-7

## **Background**

- Attended Charterhouse School in Godalming before graduating with first-class honours in philosophy, politics and economics at Magdalen College, Oxford.
- Worked in management consultancy for a year and taught English in Japan before founding HotcoursesLtd, providing information on educational opportunities.
- Established Hotcoureses Foundation charity in 2004 providing educational opportunities for AIDS orphans in Kenya.
- Served as Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport before being appointed Secretary of State for Health in 2012, replacing Andrew Lansley.
- Supported the Remain campaign in the EU referendum and backed Theresa May as the next Conservative Party Leader and prime Minister in 2016.



## Philip Dunne MP, minister of state for health

MP for Ludlow, majority of 19,286

#### **Portfolio**

- NHS operations and performance
- Secondary care commissioning policy
- Healthcare quality regulation
- Hospital care
- Failing hospitals
- DH expenditure and Spending Review
- Hospital productivity
- Patient safety
- Ministerial lead for
- Care Quality Commission
- Health Education England
- NHS Improvement

- Workforce including pay and pensions, nursing and midwifery and education and training
- Professional regulation
- Cosmetic regulation
- Maternity care
- Health visiting
- Screening in pregnancy
- Patient experience

#### Parliamentary career

- Minister of state at the Department of Health since 2016
- Minister of state for defence procurement, 2015-16
- Parliamentary under-secretary of state for defence equipment, support and technology, 2012-15
- Assistant government whip, 2010-12
- Opposition whip, 2008-10
- Former member of select committees on: work and pensions, public accounts, treasury

### **Background**

- Attended Eton before going on to study philosophy, politics and economics at the University of Oxford.
- Went on to a career of merchant banking and established a chain of bookshops, Ottakar's, and has held directorships in several companies, some of which he has retained while in parliament.
- Expressed Eurosceptic beliefs earlier in his parliamentary career, calling for the repatriation of powers from Brussels. In the campaign ahead of the June 2016 election, however, he supported Remain stating, "while the EU is not perfect, I am convinced that Britain will be stronger, safer and better off by remaining".
- Describes himself as a "one-nation" Conservative, to the left of the party on social issues, to the right economically. Supports civil partnerships but opposes same-sex marriage. Voted against the smoking ban, and against reducing the time limit for abortion.
- Has a strong interest in diabetes, having a daughter with the condition from early childhood, and was a director of the Junior Diabetes Research Foundation until 2005.



## Lord O'Shaughnessy, parliamentary under secretary of state for health

Lord O'Shaughnessy has been re-appointed health minister and is responsible for all aspects of health in the House of Lords. He is now also the ministerial lead for a number of national bodies.

#### **Portfolio**

- Leaving the EU
- International relations
- Migrant access to the NHS
- Devolved administrations
- Medicines & industry
- Cancer drugs fund
- Uptake of new drugs and medical technologies
- Life sciences industry
- Reducing clinical variation
- Specialised commissioning
- Academic health science centres
- Prescription charging

#### Ministerial lead for

- NHS Litigation Authority
- NHS Property Services and Community Health Partnerships
- NHS Business Services Authority
- NHS Blood & Transplant
- Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency
- Food Standards Agency
- Human Tissue Authority

- Workforce race equality standard
- NHS procurement
- Pathology
- Death certification
- Organ donation
- Estates and facilities
- Litigation
- Procurement
- Other NHS commercial issues
- NHS security management
- NHS income generation



#### Parliamentary career

- Parliamentary under secretary of state for health, 2016-
- Government whip (Lord in Waiting), 2016-

#### Background

- Educated at Wellington College before reading politics, philosophy and economics at the University of Oxford.
- Authored the Conservative Party's 2010 general election manifesto and was the Prime Minister's Director of Policy between 2010 and 2011.
- Founded Floreat Education in 2003, a multi-academy trust of three primary schools, in addition to holding a number of other educational and advisory portfolios.
- Former director of the Conservative Research Department.
- Made a life peer in 2015.

## Steve Brine MP, parliamentary under secretary of state

MP for Winchester, majority of 9,999.

Steve Brine's ministerial title and portfolio responsibilities have yet to be confirmed.

#### Parliamentary career

- Parliamentary private secretary (PPS) to minister for disabled people, Mike Penning, 2013-14
- Assistant government whip, 2016 -17
- PPS to Jeremy Hunt, secretary of state for health, 2015-2017
- PPS to joint minister for justice and the Home Office, Mike Penning, 2014-
- Former member of the justice select committee, 2011-2016

#### Background

- Started work as a report for BBC local radio at the age of 18.
- Read history as a mature student at Liverpool University, moved into business consultancy, and then a marketing and publishing business.
- Worked in Conservative Central Office during William Hague's leadership and was the party's campaign director
  in Hampshire during the 2001 Parliament.
- Married to speech therapist Susie with two children.
- Supported Theresa May as the next Conservative leader and Prime Minister in 2016.

## Jackie Doyle-Price MP, parliamentary under secretary of state

MP for Thurrock, majority of 345.



Jackie Doyle-Price's ministerial title and portfolio responsibilities have yet to be confirmed.

#### Parliamentary career

- Assistant government whip for HM Treasury, 2015-17
- Member of public accounts select committee, 2010-14 and committee of selection, 2015-17

#### Background

- Read economics and politics at Durham University.
- Previously worked for the Sheffield Enterprise Agency, for the Lord Mayor of the City of London as assistant private secretary, a policy adviser to the Financial Services Authority Consumer Panel and South Yorkshire Policy.
- Voted to remain in the EU referendum, saying the power and authority of Britain is enhanced by EU membership and that the economy is stronger.

## Departures from the Department of Health

- **Nicola Blackwood**, previously parliamentary under secretary of state for public health and innovation, was not re-elected to her former seat of Oxford West and Abingdon.
- **David Mowat**, previously parliamentary under secretary of state for community health and care, was not reelected to his former seat of Warrington South.

## 3. OTHER NOTABLE CABINET APPOINTMENTS

## Rt Hon Damian Green MP, first secretary of state and minister for the cabinet office

MP for Ashford, majority of 17,478

#### **Portfolio**

• the minister for the cabinet office is in overall charge of and responsible for the policy and work of the department, and attends Cabinet.

#### Parliamentary career

- Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, 2016-17
- Minister of state for policing, criminal justice and victims, Home Office and Ministry of Justice, 2012-14
- Minister of state for immigration, Home Office, 2010-12
- Held a range of shadow secretary and ministerial roles between 1998 and 2010 including shadow secretary of state for transport and shadow secretary of state for education and skills.

## Rt Hon Phillip Hammond MP, chancellor of the exchequer

MP for Runnymede and Weybridge, majority of 18,050

#### **Portfolio**

• Fiscal policy (including the presenting of the annual Budget)



- Monetary policy, setting inflation targets
- Ministerial arrangements (in his role as Secord Lord of the Treasury)

#### Parliamentary career

- Chancellor of the exchequer, 2016 -
- Foreign secretary, 2014-2016
- Defence secretary, 2011-14
- Transport secretary, 2010-2011
- Held a range of shadow secretary and ministerial roles between 1998 and 2010 including shadow health and social services minister

## Rt Hon Sajid Javid, secretary of state for communities and local government

MP for Bromsgrove, majority of 16,573

#### Responsibilities

• Responsible for the overall leadership and strategic direction of the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG)

#### Parliamentary career

- Secretary of state for communities and local government 2016 -
- Business secretary, 2015-16
- Culture media and sport secretary, 2014-15
- Minister for equalities, 2014
- Financial secretary, 2013-14

## Rt Hon David Davis MP, secretary of state for exiting the European Union

MP for Haltemprice and Howden, majority of 15,405

#### **Portfolio**

- The policy work to support the UK's negotiations to leave the European Union and to establish the future relationship between the EU and the UK
- Working very closely with the UK's devolved administrations, parliament, and a wide range of other interested parties on what the approach to those negotiations should be
- Conducting the negotiations in support of the Prime Minister including supporting bilateral discussions on EU exit with other European countries
- Leading and coordinating cross government work to seize the opportunities and ensure a smooth process of exit on the best possible terms

#### Parliamentary career

- Secretary of state for exiting the European Union, 2016-
- Shadow home secretary, 2003-2008



- Shadow lord chancellor and shadow secretary of state for justice (also shadow minister for London), 2002-2003
- Minister of state for Europe, 1994-7
- Parliamentary secretary (Duchy of Lancaster Office), 1993-94
- Assistant whip (HM Treasury), 1990-3

## Rt Hon Amber Rudd MP, secretary of state for the home department

MP for Hastings and Rye, majority of 346

#### **Porfolio**

• Overall responsibility for all Home Office business, including security and terrorism, legislative programme and expenditure issues.

#### Parliamentary career

- Home secretary, 2016-
- Secretary of state for energy and climate change, 2015-16
- Parliamentary under-secretary (department of energy and climate change), 2014-15
- Assistant whip (HM Treasury), 2013-14
- Environment, food and rural affairs committee, 2010-12

## 4. KEY SHADOW GOVERNMENT APPOINTEES

| Shadow cabinet ministers  |                           |  |
|---|---------------------------|--|
| Leader of the Opposition and Leader of the Labour Party   | Rt Hon Jeremy Corbyn MP   |  |
| Shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer  | Rt Hon John McDonnell MP  |  |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Health  | Jonathan Ashworth MP      |  |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government and Co-National Campaign Coordinator | Andrew Gwynne MP          |  |
| Shadow Secretary of State for the Home Department   | Rt Hon Diane Abbott       |  |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union  | Sir Kier Starmer, KCB, QC |  |

A full list of shadow Cabinet appointees is contained in the appendix of this briefing.

## 5. SHADOW HEALTH TEAM

The Labour Party's shadow health team remains unchanged from before the general election.

## Jonathan Ashworth, Shadow Secretary of State for Health



MP for Leicester South, majority 26,261

#### Parliamentary career

- Shadow secretary of state for health, 2016-
- Shadow minister without portfolio (attending shadow Cabinet), 2015-16
- Shadow minister for cabinet office, 2013-15
- Opposition whip 2011-13

#### Biography

- Educated in Bury at Philips High School and Bury College and read politics and philosophy at Durham University.
- Previously an advisor to Gordon Brown and head of party relations for Ed Miliband.
- Nominated Yvette Cooper in the 2015 Labour leadership elections.

#### Shadow health ministerial team

- Barbara Keeley MP, shadow minister for mental health and social care
- Sharon Hodgson MP, shadow minister of state for public health
- Justin Madders MP, shadow minister for health
- Lord Hunt of King's Heath, shadow spokesperson on health
- Julie Cooper MP, shadow minister for community health

## 6. CONFIDENCE AND SUPPLY AGREEMENTS

No party can currently command an absolute majority in the House of Commons. The Conservative party will need to rely on securing the support of MPs from other parties in order to pass legislation and retain confidence in its government. Theresa May is seeking a confidence and supply agreement with the Democratic Unionist Party (DUP) in order to secure a working majority on key issues.

In a confidence and supply agreement, the largest party is able to rely on the junior party where there are confidence motions (in particular, votes on the Queen's Speech) or those relating to budgets or financial measures (ie, supply). The junior party does not commit to supporting the government in its wider agenda, and is likely to negotiate concessions in return for its support. This is in contrast to a coalition agreement, where parties agree on a full legislative agenda and representation for both parties in government.

## 7. KEY DEMOCRATIC UNIONIST PARTY (DUP) FIGURES

## Rt Hon Arlene Foster MLA, leader of the DUP

MLA for Fermanagh and South Tyrone.

#### Political career



- First Minister, 2016-17
- Minister, Department of Finance and Personnel, 2015-16
- Acting First Minister 2010, 2015
- Minister of enterprise, trade and investment, 2008-15
- Minister of the environment, 2007-8
- Member of Northern Irish Legislative Assembly for Fermanagh and South Tyrone since 2003

## Rt Hon Nigel Dodds OBE MP, deputy leader of the DUP and leader of the DUP in Westminster

MP for Belfast North, majority of 2,081

#### Political career

- Leader of the DUP in Westminster, 2010-
- Deputy Leader of the DUP in Westminster, 2008-
- Minister of Finance in Northern Ireland Assembly, 2008-09
- DUP spokesperson in Westminster for Foreign Affairs and reform and constitutional affairs, 2015-
- DUP spokesperson in Westminster on a number of areas including, Justice, treasury and Culture Olympics, Media and Sport, 2005-15
- DUP Chief Whip, 2001-08
- MP for Belfast North, 2001-
- Member of the Northern Irish Legislative Assembly for Belfast North, 1998-2010

## 8. LIBERAL DEMOCRAT DEVELOPMENTS

The former health minister, Norman Lamb, has been re-appointed as the party's health spokesperson, a post he has held since July 2015.

Following the general election, Tim Farron announced he would stand down as party leader, effective from the start of the summer parliamentary recess in late July. He has been leader of the party since 2015. The new Liberal Democrat leader will oversee the party's 102 peers and 12 MPs.

Sir Vince Cable, the former business secretary, has confirmed his candidacy for the leadership. Other potential candidates include Ed Davey, the former energy secretary, and Norman Lamb, recently the party's health spokesperson.

Jo Swinson, the former Minister for Women and Equalities and current MP for East Dunbartonshire, has been elected unopposed as the party's deputy leader.

## Party leadership election process

- To secure nomination, leadership candidates need to receive the support of at least 10% of the parties' MPs and the support of 200 party members from at least 20 local parties.
- Following the close of nominations, postal ballot are dispatched to all party members.



• The timetable for leadership elections has yet to be announced but a new leader is expected to be announced in September at the 2017 party conference in Bournemouth.



## APPENDIX I – FULL LIST OF CABINET AND SHADOW CABINET APPOINTEES

| Cabinet ministers   |  |
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| Secretary of State for Health   | Rt Hon Jeremy Hunt MP                      |
| Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government                       | Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP                      |
| Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union                             | Rt Hon David Davis MP                      |
| Secretary of State for the Home Department                                    | Rt Hon Amber Rudd MP                       |
| Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs                       | Rt Hon Boris Johnson MP                    |
| Secretary of State for Defence  | Rt Hon Michael Fallon MP                   |
| Secretary of State for International Trade                                    | Rt Hon Dr Liam Fox MP                      |
| Lord Chancellor, Secretary of State for Justice                               | Rt Hon David Lidington MP                  |
| Secretary of State for Education, Minister for Women and Equalities           | Rt Hon Justine Greening MP                 |
| Secretary of State for Work and Pensions                                      | Rt Hon David Gauke MP                      |
| Leader of the House of Commons, Lord President of the Council                 | Rt Hon Andrea Leadsom MP                   |
| Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy               | Rt Hon Greg Clark MP                       |
| Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs                    | Rt Hon Michael Gove MP                     |
| Secretary of State for International Development                              | Rt Hon Priti Patel MP                      |
| Secretary of State for Scotland   | Rt Hon David Mundell MP                    |
| Secretary of State for Wales  | Rt Hon Alun Cairns MP                      |
| Secretary of State for Northern Ireland                                       | Rt Hon James Brokenshire MP                |
| Secretary of State for Transport  | Rt Hon Chris Grayling MP                   |
| Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport                               | Rt Hon Karen Bradley MP                    |
| Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, Minister of State for Government Policy | Rt Hon Patrick McLoughlin MP               |
| Leader of the House of Lords and Lord Privy Seal                              | Rt Hon The Baroness Evans of Bowes Park PC |

| Also attending Cabinet meetings   |                            |  |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| First Secretary of State and Minister for the Cabinet Office                  | Rt Hon Damian Green MP     |  |
| Chief Whip in the House of Commons<br>Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasury | Rt Hon Gavin Williamson MP |  |
| Chief Secretary to the Treasury   | Rt Hon Liz Truss MP        |  |



| Attorney General  | Rt Hon Jeremy Wright QC MP             |
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| Minister of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, PM's special representative on preventing sexual violence in conflict | Rt Hon Baroness Anelay of St Johns DBE |
| Home office Minister  | Rt Hon Brandon Lewis MP                |

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| Shadow Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government and Co-National Campaign Coordinator | Andrew Gwynne MP           |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs                                      | Rt Hon Emily Thornberry MP |
| Shadow Secretary of State for the Home Department   | Rt Hon Diane Abbott        |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union  | Sir Kier Starmer, KCB, QC  |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Defence   | Nia Griffith MP            |
| Shadow Secretary of State for International Trade   | Barry Gardiner MP          |
| Shadow Lord Chancellor, Secretary of State for Justice  | Richard Burgon MP          |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Education   | Angela Rayner MP           |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Work and Pensions   | Debbie Abrahams MP         |
| Shadow Leader of the House of Commons, Lord President of the Council                                | Valerie Vaz MP             |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy                              | Rebecca Long-Bailey MP     |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs                                   | Sue Hayman MP              |
| Shadow Secretary of State for International Development   | Kate Osamor MP             |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Scotland  | Lesley Laird MP            |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Wales   | Christina Rees MP          |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Northern Ireland  | Owen Smith MP              |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Transport   | Andy Mcdonald MP           |
| Shadow Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport  | Tom Watson MP              |
| Shadow Leader of the House of Lords and Lord Privy Seal   | Baroness Smith             |