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Brief Biography

Paul has been the Director of the AHPF since March 2009. In that time he has worked with the AHPF Board to develop and implement the strategy and operational activity of the AHPF.

On behalf of AHPs he has contributed to Department of Health leadership initiatives, the development of NICE guidelines for quality standards, engaging with the Transforming Community Services initiative and is active in the Healthcare Professionals Commissioning Network.

Following his early career in the pharmaceutical industry Paul's background has for a number of years been in the field of leadership and organisational development. He has been working as an independent consultant since 1988 with specific experience in the private as well as the public and not for profit sectors. During that time he has also held two time limited posts, one with global responsibility for senior executive development at Allied Domecq and the other as the Director of the TUC Partnership Institute.

He has throughout his career worked with specific NHS and DH initiatives and has also worked as a consultant to both the College of Occupational Therapists and the Society of Chiropodists and Podiatrists.

Paul still runs an independent consultancy specialising in leadership development, cultural change and the development of a partnership based approach to workplace relations.

"I believe that AHPs have a key role in delivering optimum health care for patients and the public. I am passionate about empowering AHPs to take their place in the decision making about health that will put them in charge of their own destiny. The current climate provides an opportunity for that to happen and I look forward to the AHPF taking a lead."