

## MEDIA STATEMENT

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### STATEMENT ON UROLOGY SERVICE FOR TOMMY GREENE

Aaron Cummins, Chief Executive of University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust (UHMBT), said: “Mr Ashutosh Jain and Mr Muhammad Naseem work for the Trust as Urology Consultants. Mr Kavinda Madhra left the Trust on September 28 2018.

“We are confident that our Urology service is safe, however we want to reassure our patients so we have asked NHS England and NHS Improvement to commission an independent report into the service. A copy of our letter to NHS England and NHS Improvement is on our website and can be viewed here: [https://www.uhmb.nhs.uk/files/1415/6750/8414/Letter\\_to\\_NHS\\_England\\_-\\_August\\_2019.pdf](https://www.uhmb.nhs.uk/files/1415/6750/8414/Letter_to_NHS_England_-_August_2019.pdf)

“We also want to make sure that the changes we have made to the Urology department following the Royal College of Surgeons’ review in 2016 have been implemented and that our service is as good as it can be.

“The Trust Board will decide what further action needs to be taken when the independent review has been completed and we have had a chance to study its findings.

“An extraordinary meeting of the Council of Governors of UHMBT was held on Tuesday 10 September, in the boardroom at Westmorland General Hospital in Kendal. Issues surrounding the Urology service at UHMBT were discussed by the Council of Governors.

“In addition to this, we have written to Mr Duffy to request a meeting. We would like to fully understand all of Peter’s concerns and share any further appropriate information with him.

“Furthermore, we want all of our staff to feel confident and supported if they speak out and raise concerns and that they trust they will be listened to.”

**ENDS**

**Notes to editors:**

1. For further information, please contact the communications team on 01524 518 964 or by emailing [comms.team@mbht.nhs.uk](mailto:comms.team@mbht.nhs.uk)
2. Bay Health and Care Partners (BHCP) include: University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust (UHMBT); Morecambe Bay Clinical Commissioning Group (MBCCG); Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust ; GP Providers Alliance; Cumbria County Council; Lancashire County Council. In addition, the following organisations contribute to Bay Health and Care Partners, Cumbria Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT) and North West Ambulance Service (NWAS). BHCP’s vision is: To see a network of communities across Morecambe Bay enjoying great physical, mental and emotional wellbeing, supported by a health and care system that is recognised as being as good as it gets.