

NHS Blood and Transplant – Lay Member - Biography

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Professor Elizabeth Murphy received an MA in English Literature and Language from the University of St Andrews, an MSc in Advanced Research Methods from the Open University, and a PhD in medical sociology from the University of Southampton. Her doctoral thesis was entitled, 'Lay Health Concepts and Response to Medical Advice about Lifestyle'. She worked as an academic at the Universities of Southampton and Nottingham before becoming Pro-Vice-Chancellor and Head of the College of Social Science at the University of Leicester in 2009. During this period she taught extensively at both undergraduate and postgraduate level and conducted extensive research, much of which was carried out in collaboration with clinical colleagues and focussed on the ways in which the relationship between individuals, families, professionals and the state is played out in the field of health and illness. Total grant income approximates to £6 million and this research has led to three books and monographs and over 70 articles in leading peer-reviewed journals and edited collections.