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the north east regional
forum on ageing

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CHAIRPERSON REQUIRED FOR *YEARS AHEAD*

This is an exceptional opportunity to contribute to public life in the North East by leading the Board of *Years Ahead* – the Regional Forum on Ageing

Years Ahead brings together voluntary, public and private sector organisations from across the North East, to address the issues of demographic change and the health and well-being of current and future older people within our region.

The Forum aims to influence key regional policy makers and promote partnership working which will enable the North East to tackle the opportunities and challenges of an ageing population. It has recently been recognised by the Government as the Regional Forum on Ageing for the North East and has representation on the new UK Advisory Forum on Ageing.

Years Ahead is seeking someone with outstanding leadership skills and vision, to serve as the independent Chair of the Partnership Board, build on the strong base that has been established over the last four years under the chairmanship of Professor Jim Edwardson, and lead on the implementation of the Forum's ambitious Strategic Plan (www.yearsahead.org.uk)

The Forum is soon to appoint new Partnership Board members to provide a more balanced representation of relevant organisations from across the region, and the new Chair will have a key role in these appointments.

This is a voluntary, unpaid position, attractive to candidates with a background in strategic leadership who wish to give something back to public life in the region and can demonstrate commitment to improving the quality of life and opportunities for older people.

The Chair is supported by a Regional Coordinator and the *Years Ahead* office is currently hosted by Newcastle University's Institute for Ageing and Health as a partner in the Forum. Further details are available from the *Years Ahead* website, or from Dr Lynne Corner, the Regional Coordinator (Telephone 0191 248 1353 or e-mail to L.S.Corner@ncl.ac.uk).

The closing date for applications is Friday 30th October 2009.

Years Ahead is committed to maximising opportunity for all and to eradicating all forms of discrimination.