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Do you have a passion and commitment for improving Public Service?

Would you like the opportunity to influence regional and national policy makers?

Would you be interested in becoming a member of one of the many Boards of Public Agencies across the UK?

If you've never considered a Public Appointment – the time to start is **NOW!**

“Stepping Up to the Board” Increasing Diversity in Public Appointments

St James Park, Newcastle
Friday 26th February 2010
12.30pm ~ 4.30pm

A new campaign led by the Government Equalities Office and the Cabinet Office is seeking to raise awareness, particularly amongst women, ethnic minorities and disabled people, about the opportunities in public appointments.

“My work with the LSC had given me a great insight into the workings of public policy. I feel I have been privileged to be involved in some really significant decisions and have seen my work directly affect the lives of many”

David Barker MBE, Director of Adult Services, The Percy Hedley Foundation

This event will:

- Raise awareness of how you can be involved in public sector appointments regionally and nationally.
- Give you the opportunity to discuss the opportunities available and share information.
- Enable you to network with and listen to a panel of speakers who will share their insights and own personal paths into the public sector, as well as regional leaders and representatives from the Government Equalities Office.
- Give people who already hold a public appointment the opportunity to offer guidance to others who wish to become involved.

This event which will be chaired by Ranjana Bell, Chair of the North East Equality and Diversity Board Partnership. She will be joined by other regional and national speakers including representatives from the Government Equalities Office and The Appointments Commission.

Places on this event are FREE and lunch and refreshments will be provided. Please complete the booking form and return it by: **Friday 12th February 2010**. Please note that places will be available on a first come first served basis.

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If your organisation would like to have a relevant stall or materials at the events please contact us.