

Bio sketch: Dr Rhona Mahony

Dr Mahony is currently Executive Director of the Women and Children's Clinical Academic Directorate within Ireland East Healthcare Group. This group oversees healthcare provision to a population of one million people. She previously served as Master of the National Maternity Hospital (NMH) in Dublin from 2012 to 2018. NMH is one of Europe's largest maternity hospitals, caring for 10,000 pregnant women annually and is a major Irish tertiary referral centre providing advanced obstetric, neonatal and gynaecological care. Dr Mahony is an Obstetrician & Gynaecologist, a Specialist in maternal and fetal medicine, an Honorary Clinical Professor with RCSI. Dr Mahony is a Fellow of the RCOG UK, and of the RCPI in Ireland. She is a strong advocate of the importance of women's healthcare in saving lives, promoting health equality, gender equality and intergenerational social equality through increased participation of women in society. In 2018, she was awarded an honorary fellowship of the UCD Medical School and a UCD Alumna Award for her work in healthcare. In 2016 she was awarded an Honorary Fellowship of the American College of O&G and an honorary Doctorate of Medicine from NUI for her contribution to women and infants health. In 2014 Dr Mahony became an Eisenhower Fellow spending time in the USA as part of a Multi-Nation leadership Programme. In 2013, Dr Mahony founded the National Maternity Foundation, which supports the work of NMH. Dr Mahony is a member of the Institute of Directors of Ireland and serves on the board of St Vincent's Hospital and the Little Museum of Dublin. She currently lives in Dublin with her husband and four children.