



# London Choosing Wisely:

## Improving health outcomes for all Londoners – Steering Group membership

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### London Choosing Wisely Steering Group

London Choosing Wisely is a clinically-led programme overseen by a Steering Group which includes clinical leaders representing each STP, the clinical leads appointed to the review of each area of care, patient representatives and public health experts.

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### *London Choosing Wisely Steering Group Chair*

**Dr Vin Diwakar**

Regional Medical Director, NHS England (London)



Dr Diwakar is Regional Medical Director for NHS England (London) and a practising consultant paediatrician. He provides clinical leadership to the wider London health system with a particular focus on delivering the priorities set out in the *Five Year Forward View*, Better Health for London and the Devolution Memorandum of Understanding for urgent, integrated and emergency care, the transformation of primary care, prevention and reducing inequalities and improving cancer outcomes. He is also responsible for professional standards and the relicensing and appraisal of doctors in London.

He is a highly experienced clinical leader who has many years of experience working as medical director, at Great Ormond Street Hospital, and before that at Birmingham's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust.

## ***London Choosing Wisely Steering Group Members***

### **Danny Batten**

Head of Transformation and Delivery, NHS England (London)

### **Dr Sushanta Bhadra**

Acute Contracting Lead, Bexley CCG; Task and Finish Group chair (cataract surgery)

### **Dr Vimple Bhalani**

General Practitioner, Bexley CCG; Task and Finish Group chair (varicose veins)

### **Dr Tony Brzezicki**

General Practitioner, Croydon CCG

### **Dr Cathy Cale**

Deputy Medical Director, NHS Improvement

### **Dr Nikesh Dattani**

General Practitioner, Barnet CCG; Task and Finish Group chair (interventional treatments for back pain)

### **Dr Marilena Korkodilos**

Deputy Regional Director for Specialist Public Health Services, Public Health England (London)

### **Dr Richard Pinder**

Consultant in Public Health Medicine, London Borough of Southwark

### **Pida Ripley**

Public and patient representative; British Orthopaedic Association Patient Liaison Group member

### **Geoffrey Rivett**

Public and patient representative; City of London Healthwatch board member

### **Dr Imran Sajid**

Chair of Policy Development Group, West London CCG; Task and Finish Group chair (hip and knee procedures)

### **Dr Victoria Tzortziou Brown**

General Practitioner, Tower Hamlets CCG

### **Malti Varshney**

Network and Senate Associate Director, London Clinical Networks

### **Dr Nicola Williams**

General Practitioner, Wandsworth CCG; Task and Finish Group chair (shoulder decompression)

### **Dr Lily Wong**

General Practitioner, Brent CCG; Task and Finish Group chair (benign skin lesions)