



## Statement from Board of Care Alliance Ireland

8 July 2016

Care Alliance Ireland has always recognised best practice governance as central to engendering trust for charity organisations, including:

- Adoption of the Governance Code for Community and Voluntary Organisations
- Adoption of SORP accounting practice for annual financial returns
- Up to date Registration with the Charities Regulator
- Lobbying activities reported regularly on the Register of Lobbying.
- Open publication of Annual Directors Report and Audited Financial Statements (on website <a href="www.bit.ly/29i8knz">www.bit.ly/29i8knz</a> and social media fora)
- Implementation of strict financial control policies limiting individual spending approval and including independent scrutiny
- Independence of Board and Executive functions
- Nomination for re-election of co-opted directors at AGM
- Non-remunerated Board Directors, nominated by member organisations and use of independent non-executive director expertise as necessary, renewed regularly per prescribed maximum lengths of terms of office
- Regular Board meetings and sub-committees, with minutes.
- Utilisation of specialised HR expertise to advise on best practice policies consistent with ever-changing legislation
- No salary top ups.

Care Alliance Ireland operates to these basic principles and encourages member organisations to do the same. The reliance on public funds and the trust of our members mandates no less.

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Chairperson

Care Alliance Ireland

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