

Skills Summit Programme

Woburn House, London

Thursday 4 June 2026

Time	Session
09.30	Registration
10.00	Welcome
10.10	Understanding role of a Dean in healthcare <i>Exploring the role of a Dean in a healthcare context, and how it differs in scope, influence, and accountability compared to other roles.</i>
10.50	Expectations of a Dean, according to senior leadership <i>What do Vice-Chancellors and other senior leaders in HEIs expect of Deans? How can you develop new working relationships with, and how do you influence, senior leadership to get what you need for your faculty?</i>
11.20	Morning break
11.40	Leading in the healthcare education space <i>Understanding the political and policy landscape for Deans of healthcare, including the complex management of NHS priorities and workforce pressures, funding models, and financial sustainability pressures across higher education.</i>
12.50	Lunch
13.40	Meeting regulatory expectations <i>What do healthcare regulators expect from Deans? As a Dean, what are you accountable for and how do you know when to escalate?</i>
14.50	Afternoon break
15.10	Finance and Resource Management <i>Exploring the shift in financial accountability from operational to strategic oversight, and from departmental finance to institutional level finance. The session considers the trade-offs in decision-making and the financial and resource implications.</i>
16.20	Final remarks and feedback
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