## NOTICE OF AGM AND CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR BIVDA EXECUTIVE BOARD - 2023-2026

Dear Member

## Nominations to be received by 21 February

The BIVDA AGM will be held on **Wednesday 21 March** and new members of the Executive Board are announced at this meeting. Prior to this we have to go through the election process. The BIVDA Executive Board comprises 12 elected members, who serve for a period of three years. Retiring individuals may be nominated for a further term. This year there will six places available for election.

This is your opportunity to influence the future direction of BIVDA by putting forward a candidate that you believe will be able to address your organisation's needs and represent your views. Self-nominations are accepted.

BIVDA has access through to the highest levels of engagement on issues such as regulation and procurement which does mean additional opportunities for Executive Board members to gain insights for their companies.

Those nominated can come from either Full or Associate Member companies although only Full Member companies can vote in the election of Board members.

The nomination <u>form is attached.</u> This must be accepted and signed by the candidate. BIVDA assumes that anyone standing for election has the knowledge and agreement of their employer to do so.

In addition, nominees are asked to submit an abstract of approximately 500 words and a digital photograph. The abstract acts as a supporting statement detailing their current position and expertise and a description of what they feel they would bring to the governance of BIVDA over the next three years. This abstract will be included with the voting papers to assist BIVDA members to select the best candidates to elect for the Executive Board.

In accordance with the Articles of Association, completed forms should be returned to the Secretariat at BIVDA by **21 February** at the very latest in order that voting papers may be circulated and returned on the day prior to the AGM i.e. 20 March.

Please consider this opportunity carefully. The NHS needs everything it can find to manage the increasing demands for healthcare and reduce the backlog of health-related issues from the last 3 years. We all know the role that IVDs plays increasingly to support all the aspirations of current policy including prevention and early diagnosis so it is more critical than ever before to support BIVDA with our role in increasing awareness as well

as all the activity to support your businesses in sectors such as market access and regulation.

Either <u>Helen Dent</u> or <u>I</u> would be happy to talk to prospective candidates if helpful.

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Doris-Ann Williams Chief Executive

