ALASTAIR KENT, OBE

Professor, Genetic Alliance, UK

Education

1973 BA Hons (Nat Sciences) - Cambridge
1976 MA (Nat Sciences) - Cambridge
1976 Diploma Careers Guidance - Newcastle Polytechnic
1979 M Phil (Research) - Hatfield Polytechnic
1991 Post Graduate Certificate in Management

Employment

1993-present	Director - Genetic Alliance UK (the UK alliance of support organisations for patients and families affected by genetic disorders)
1989-1993	Director - Action for Blind People
1986-1989	Director of Education, Employment and Residential Services, Royal National Institute for Deaf People
1982 - 1986	Principal - Banstead Place (Queen Elizabeth's Foundation for Disabled People
1973-1982	Careers Advisor in Norfolk, Cambridge and North Yorkshire

Other Awards

Fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine
Senior Fellow: Public Health Genomics Foundation
OBE for Services to Healthcare

Relevant Committees

2011 - Present	Human Genome Strategy Group (Department of Health) Education and Training and Commissioning sub committees
2011 - Present	Patient and Public Engagement in directly commissioned services for the Transitional Oversight Group in the new NHS (Vice Chair)

2010 - Present	European Union Committee of Experts in Rare Diseases
2009 - Present	Rare Disease UK (Chair and founder)
2009 - Present	Gene Therapy Advisory Committee (Department of Health)
2008 - 2011	Committee on Advanced Therapies – EMEA
2007 - 2013	"1000 Genomes" International Project Ethics Committee
2006 - 2012	"CliniGene" NoE International Advisory Board Member
2004 - 2009	Public Population Projects in Genetics (P3G) Ethics Committee
2004 - 2009	European Commission Rare Diseases Task Force
2004 - 2005	International HapMap Project Ethics Committee
2003 - Present	UK Genetics Testing Network Steering Committee (Dept of Health)
2002 - Present	Department of Health, Genetics Commissioning Advisory Group (GenCAG)
2002 - Present	Human Genetics Commission Member
2000 - 2006	Patient Representative Orphan Medicinal Products Committee EMEA
1998 - Present	Board member and founder - European Platform for Patient Organisations Science and Industry (EPPOSI) (Chair 2006 – 2012)
1997 - Present	Royal College of Physicians (Now Joint Committee of the RCP, RCPath and British Society for Human Genetics) Medical Genetics Committee
1996 - Present	Association of British Insurers, Genetics Advisory Committee
1993 - Present	European Alliance of Genetic Support Groups