Dr Ellen Makings

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Dr Ellen Makings MBBS, FRCA, FFICM, RCPathME is the Regional Medical Examiner for the East of England and Lead Medical Examiner at the Royal Papworth Hospital.  She has been a Consultant in Anaesthetics & Intensive Care for 15 years at Mid Essex Hospitals NHS Trust where she was then appointed as Medical Director in 2017. Her areas of interest in Critical Care are patient safety and recovery from critical illness.  She has been a Medical Examiner at Mid Essex for 8 years, one of the original Department of Health pilot sites for the Medical Examiner system.

In 2019 she was appointed as Regional Medical Examiner. She is passionate about the Medical Examiner process and its contribution to patient safety. She is a member of the Faculty of the Royal College of Pathologists providing the training of future Medical Examiners and Medical Examiner Officers. She is the Lead Medical Examiner for the Royal Papworth Hospital who are providing Medical Examiner services for Cambridgeshire community deaths as well as Royal Papworth.

During the Coronavirus pandemic, she has been the Clinical Lead for the Covid-19 Critical Care Cell NHSI/E East of England and in July 2021 appointed as Medical Director for System Improvement.

She is also a member of the East of England Senate Council.