



**Donna Covey**

**Chief Executive, Asthma UK**

**EFA Board Member 2003-2006 and EFA Acting Vice-President 2005–2006**

Donna Covey joined Asthma UK as Chief Executive in November 2001. She was previously director of the Association of Community Health Councils for England and Wales, following a long career in the GMB trade union, which included ten years as a member of the TUC General Council.

During her time as Chief executive at Asthma UK, Donna has overseen the development of a five-year strategic plan; a restructuring of office staff, including the establishment of a marketing directorate, and a brand review and relaunch of the organisation as Asthma UK.

Donna is currently a member of the Health & Safety Executive Occupational Asthma Project Board and the Board of the Long Term Medical Conditions Alliance.

Recent commitments have included chairing the long-term illness sub-group of the 'Ill Child' module of the Children's National Service Framework; a member of the Expert Task Force on children and young people as part of the Department of Health's "Choosing Health" consultation; a member of the British Medical Association Board of Medical Education; and a member of the inaugural NICE Partners Council.