Ms Wendy Elizabeth McCarthy AO, Potts Point NSW 2011

For eminent service to children and youth, to health, to the arts, to business, to the community, and to women's leadership.

The Parenthood Alliance

- Chair, since 2023.
- Inaugural Patron, current.

Goodstart Early Learning

- Deputy Chair, 2010-2018.
- Former Non-Executive Director.

Children and Youth

- Advisor, The Front Project, since 2018.
- Chair, Headspace National Youth Mental Health Foundation Limited, 2008-2016.
- Former Chair, McGrath National Youth Mental Health Foundation.
- Member, Economic Planning Advisory Commission report to the Prime Minister on Australia's Child Care needs to the year 2010, 1995-1997.

Community Health

- Chair, Pro-Choice Alliance New South Wales, 2017-2019.
- Chair, Pacific Friends of the Global Health Foundation, 2007-2014.
- Patron, Australian Reproductive Health Alliance, 2007-2011.
- Chair, New South Wales Health Participation Council, 2003-2004.
- Chair, Kobe Centre for Health and Development, World Health Organization, 1999-2002.
- Chair, Royal Hospital for Women Foundation, 1995-1998.
- Director, Royal College of Physicians Research and Education Foundation, 1995.
- Chair, National Better Health Program, 1989-1992.
- Former Co-Chair, New South Wales Sustainable Access Health Priority Task Force.
- Former Executive Director, Australian Federation of Family Planning Associations.
- Member, Advisory Council, New South Wales Health Care, 2003-2005.

Arts

- Chair, Circus Oz, 2007-2017.
- Chair, Symphony Australia, 2000-2003.
- Former Council Member, Sydney Symphony Orchestra.
- Trustee, Adelaide Festival Centre, 1996-2000.

Urban Environment

- Independent Advisor, New South Wales State Plan, since 2010.
- Former Patron, Architects Without Frontiers Australia.
- Chair, The Look of the City Committee, Sydney City Council, 1998-2001.
- Member, Olympic Urban Design Review Panel and Olympic Public Art Committee, 1996-2000.
- President, Down to Earth Foundation, 1994-1995.
- Member, Independent Panel on Intractable Waste, 1991-1992.

Plan International

• Global Deputy Chair, 2007-2009.

- Plan International Australia
 - Chair, 1998-2006.
 - Former Vice-Chair.
 - Director, 1996-2009.
 - Former Executive Member.

Sydney Community Foundation

- Former Chair.
- Former Deputy Chair.
- Co-Founder, 2004.

Sydney Women's Fund

- Patron, current.
- Co-Founder.

Corporate Goodworks

- Former Executive Manager
- Founder, 2000.

Women's Business

- Former Executive Manager.
- Founder.

Leadership

- Executive Director, Corporate Good Works, since 2000.
- Mentor, United Nations Women's Summit Beijing, 1995.
- Delegate, Australian ASEAN Women Leaders Conference, Singapore, 1994.
- Director, Young Endeavour Youth Scheme, 1988-1990.

1 Million Women

- Former Ambassador.
- Former Member, Advisory Committee.

Environment

- Chair, Clean Up Australia Foundation, 1997-1999.
- Member, Advisory Council, Australian State of the Environment, 1999-2001.
- Member, Environment, Health and Safety Advisory Committee, North Limited, 1996.

UBS Australia

- Co-Founder, Indigenous Academy, 2006.
- Co-Founder, Young Women's Leadership Academy, 2004.
- Co-Founder, Finance Academy, 2003.

Community Other

- Director, Australian Multicultural Foundation, 1997-2001.
- Chair, Australian Heritage Commission, 1995-1998.
- Chief Executive Officer, National Trust of Australia (NSW), 1990-1993.

Business

- Non-Executive Director, Purpose Investment Partners, since 2020.
- Adviser, Grace Papers, since 2015.
- Chair, McGrath Estate Agents, 2000-2015.
- Director, Star City Holdings Limited (formerly Sydney Harbour Casino Holdings Limited), 1995-1999.
- Deputy Chair, Australian Broadcasting Commission, 1983-1991.
- Member, Australian Advertising Standards Board, 1996-1998.
- Member, CIRCIT Review, 1993.

University of Canberra

- Chancellor, 1996-2005.
- Deputy Chancellor, 1995-1996.
- Founding Member, Australian Chancellors' Conference, 1992-1996.

Chief Executive Women

- President, 1995-1996.
- Founding Member.

Legal

• Non-Executive Director, IMF Bentham, 2013-2018.

• Chief Executive Officer, Eakin McCaffery Cox (formerly Price Brent), 1993-1994.

McCarthy Mentoring (formerly McCarthy Management Pty Ltd)

- Executive Director, 1978-2020.
- Former Mentor.

Publications

- Author, Don't Be Too Polite, Girls: a memoir, Allen and Unwin, 2022.
- Author, One2One the Guide for Mentors, Focus Publishing, 2008.
- Author, One2One the Guide for Mentees, Focus Publishing, 2008.
- Author, Don't Fence Me In, Random House, 2000.
- Author, A Fair Go: Portraits of the Australian Dream, Focus, 1999.

Awards and Recognition include:

- New South Wales Recipient, Excellence in Women's Leadership, The Australian Awards, 2024.
- Honorary Doctorate, University of New England, 2020.
- Inaugural Inductee, Women's Agenda Hall of Fame, 2013.
- The Sydney Morning Herald's Top 100 Intellectuals in Australia, 2005.
- Centenary of Federation Medal, 2003.
- Distinguished Alumni Award, University of New England, 2001.
- Honorary Doctorate, University of South Australia, 1995.
- Officer of the Order of Australia, 1989.