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She won the NHE East Midlands Leadership Academy Award, Inclusive Leader of the year, in 2014 for her work on leading the procurement of a fit for purpose interpretation and translation service to ensure all patients were able to access the required services when needed through communicating in a language they understood, particularly in urgent care, as well as supporting the staff networks. Sophie led her Trust twice to be a Top 100 Stonewall Workplace Equality Index employer from being ranked 285<sup>th</sup> in 2015 to 77<sup>th</sup> in 2019, and 68<sup>th</sup> in 2024.