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Local news from your local Healthwatch

All the local news and coming events from Healthwatch Rutland for September 2016

Transfer of Care

Healthwatch Rutland, in partnership with the Better Care Fund, are running a project until March 2017 to gather the experiences of people on the transfer of care from health to social care services. If you have been treated in hospital but needed continued support afterwards (either in residential care or at home), Healthwatch Rutland wants to hear about your experiences. What was done well, and what could be done better? Your information will be used to inform health and social care providers to make services better for the people of Rutland. Your information will be anonymous and you only need to tell us what you want to. Your experiences can be sent to us (by post or email), we can take your information on the phone, or a Healthwatch volunteer can visit you (in hospital, care home or your own home). If you would like to take part in this study, please contact us at info@healthwatchrutland.co.uk or 01572 720381.

CQC to Inspect Leicestershire Partnership Trust

Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust provides integrated mental health, learning disability and community health services across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. The trust will be inspected by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) in November 2016. In advance of this, Healthwatch Leicestershire are running a survey for the public to express their views. Healthwatches across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland will then ensure these views are passed to the CQC to inform their inspection. The survey can be found [here](#). If you have any experiences or views that are not covered by the survey, please get in contact with us at info@healthwatchrutland.co.uk or 01572 720381.

Dove Cottage - New Rutland Day Hospice

Dove Cottage is a day hospice which will be opening shortly to support the people of Rutland. The facility will be open on a Tuesday and a Thursday near Ridlington. They are looking for volunteers to support this venture and are holding an open evening on the 6th of October if anyone is interested in attending. Details of the event are on our website [here](#).

Stoptober

Smokers across the country are being urged to take part in Stoptober and join nearly 15 million people who have already quit. The mass quitting challenge from Public Health England (PHE) starts on the 1st of October. [Click here to find out more.](#)

CQC Re-Inspection of Belton House Retirement Home

The Care Quality Commission (CQC) has re-inspected Belton House Retirement Home and has rated it as 'Good' after their visit on the 18th August 2016. See the full report [here](#). Full reports on all of the CQC's inspections of health and social care providers are available at: <http://www.cqc.org.uk>.

CQC Publish 'My Diabetes, My Care' Report

The report looks at people's experiences of diabetes care across England and the support they are given to self-manage their condition. This review considers how well care services work together to deliver high-quality diabetes care. It also makes a number of recommendations for how health and social care commissioners, providers and professionals should work together to improve diabetes care and prevention. The full report can be found [here](#).

New Asthma Video Delivers Life-saving Message

A new music video created by a doctor from Leicester's Hospitals aims to combine education with entertainment to create a life-saving message for patients with asthma. Tapas Mukherjee, a respiratory registrar at Glenfield Hospital created the video using help from NHS colleagues in his spare time, after winning an award to develop his idea, from The NHS England Regional Innovation Fund in 2014. The video, which highlights hard hitting facts from the National Review of Asthma Deaths Report, aims to reduce the number of patients who are reliant on their emergency blue inhaler, encouraging them to see a doctor or nurse, and switch over to a regular inhaler instead. To watch the video, please click [here](#).

Hospital Trusts Publish Full Business Case for Proposed Merger

The Trusts running Hinchingsbrooke Hospital and Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals have published a Full Business Case that sets out in detail the case for merging in order to sustain acute services for patients. Details can be found [here](#). Peterborough and Stamford NHS Foundation Trust will be staging a Members' Meeting in The Meeting Hall at Stamford Hospital, on Thursday 6 October 2016 between 5.30pm and 7.30pm, which is open to both members of the Trust and public alike, to discuss this along with an update on the project to redevelop Stamford Hospital, including the new permanent MRI scanning facility that will go live later this year. To confirm your attendance, please contact The Communications Team on 01733 678024 or email communications@pbh-tr.nhs.uk.

Dementia Guide for Carers

The Dementia Guide for Carers and Care Providers offers practical information for anyone caring for a person with dementia and has been developed by the Thames Valley team in collaboration with healthcare professionals, educators and carers. The guide aims to support an understanding of the progressive nature of dementia and the challenges a person caring for someone with dementia may experience. Its focus is on living well with dementia. It can be found [here](#).

Healthwatch England Committee Meeting

On Wednesday 2 November 2016, Healthwatch England will be holding its next Committee Meeting in Peterborough at The Fleet, The Italian Community Association, Fleet Way, Peterborough PE2 8DL. Details of the event are below:

- 11.00 to 12.30 - Part 1 of Public Committee Meeting
- 12.30 to 13.15 - Lunch
- 13.45 to 15.00 - Part 2 of Public Committee Meeting

If you wish to attend the public meeting, please email committee@healthwatch.co.uk at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting and you can also email if you are unable to attend but have a question that you would like raised at the public participation session. In addition, you can also watch the meetings on the Healthwatch England [website](#), live or as a recording once the meeting is finished. The agenda and meeting papers are available on the website a few days before each meeting.

East Midland Congenital Heart Centre at Glenfield Hospital

Healthwatch Rutland members may be interested in a petition being led by University Hospitals Leicester to ask that there be a public review into the NHS decision to cease services at Glenfield congenital heart centre. The survey can be signed online through [this link](#).

Stress Management Course

The Leicestershire Recovery College are running a Stress Management course at the Oakham Enterprise Park, Ashwell Road, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 7TU on Thursday 27th October 2016 at 10.30 am - 3.30 pm. Details are on our website [here](#).

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