



Oxfordshire Health & Well Being Partnership

HWBP e-bulletin – March 2011

Website additions since last bulletin

The "published reports" section of the HWBP homepage provides a library of recent publications – the latest additions include:

£600,000 'Big Society' fund

A press release on Oxfordshire County Council's website under the news item "Big Society – helping communities help themselves" launches its £600,000 Big Society fund. The OCVA Development Team is available to support and assist anyone making an application. Further details can be found on the council's Big Society fund webpage:

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/wps/portal/publicsite/councilservices/big society fund

The functions of GP Commissioning Consortia

This helpful summary sets out the proposed key statutory duties of consortia (the 'must dos'), the statutory powers (the things consortia have the freedom to do, if they wish, to help meet these duties) and provides illustrative examples of what this could look like in the future. The illustrative examples will evolve over the coming months to reflect the ideas and learning drawn from pathfinders.

www.dh.gov.uk/prod_consum_dh/groups/dh_digitalassets/documents/digitalasset/dh_125006.pdf

Training and events

Hearsay! social care event – Fri 11 March

This second annual Hearsay! event, run by the Oxfordshire Local Involvement Network (LINK) gives service users and their families, friends and carers a chance to meet some of the senior people from the council and talk to them about how they run social care for adults. For more information see the attached poster or contact:

t: 01993 862855 e: sue.marshall@helpandcare.org.uk

[Hearsay poster](#)



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Change4Life Seminar – Wed 16 March/ 23 March

This free half-day seminar is being held twice, first at a hotel in Gatwick and then again in Reading, for anyone wanting to know more about how their organisation can use Change4Life and how the benefits of partnership have worked for other companies and organisations in the South East. If you have public or private sector partners, who may be interested in attending this event, please feel free to forward them this notice. To book a place please complete and return the attached booking form or contact:

t: 01483 882527 e: Claire.williams@dh.gsi.gov.uk [Change4Life seminar poster](#)

Public Health and Wellbeing Conference – Thurs 17 March

Oxford Health are holding an all-day Public Health and Wellbeing conference, offering an opportunity to learn about the national and local picture in relation to public health and consider ways of working with people with mental health issues to tackle the key areas of smoking, alcohol, healthy eating, healthy weight, physical activity and reaching out to young people through schools. This event clashes with the next HWBP Board meeting but there may be colleagues within your organisation who would be interested in attending. For further information see the attached poster or contact:

t: 01865 220376 e: karen.lascelles@obmh.nhs.uk [Health and Wellbeing conference](#)

Helping the voluntary sector understand changes to public health – Fri 25 March

A free one-day event is being held in Reading Town Hall to help voluntary and community organisations, local authorities and local statutory partners to better understand how the proposed changes to the funding and commissioning of public health will impact on their work. The day will include a session on local Health and Wellbeing Boards and Strategies and will look at how the voluntary and community sector and local authorities can work together more effectively to improve the health of their local populations. For more information contact:

t: 01483 885271 e: abigail@raise-networks.org.uk [Draft programme](#)

Health evening in Kidlington – Wed 30 March

GO Active are holding a health fair from 6pm– 8:30pm will offer healthy food tasting, recipe ideas, and taster sessions for Nordic walking and dance exercise. This event also features a talk from a top behaviour change expert and health consultant about motivation and goal setting who will share her top tips on how to succeed. Please display the attached poster as appropriate and/ or forward it to relevant contacts.

t: 01295 221715 e: hazel.field@cherwell-dc.gov.uk [Health event poster](#)



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Child Poverty Needs Assessment workshop – Fri 08 April

We all have a key role to play in helping to develop Oxfordshire's Child Poverty Strategy. A workshop for thematic partnership members takes place on Friday 8 April at County Hall. This is very much a multi-agency partnership piece of work and the county council hope to get a real mix of people who work with children or their families to share what they know about poverty in their area of work. For more information see the attached flyer/ reply slip or contact:

t: 01865 810560 e: erin.harker@oxfordshire.gov.uk

[Workshop flyer and reply slip](#)

Other news

Oxfordshire GP Commissioning Consortium bulletin

The Shadow Oxfordshire GP Commissioning Consortium (GPCC) plan on issuing monthly newsletters to provide updates on the development of the GPCC in Oxfordshire. February saw the first issue published, which listed the following contact leads:

GP Lead:	Area:	Email:
Dr John Galuszka	North East Oxon	galuszka@doctors.org.uk
Dr Stephen Attwood	North East Oxon	stephen.attwood@gp-K84052.nhs.uk
Dr Gavin Bartholomew	Vale of White Horse	gavin.bartholomew@nhs.net
Dr Julie Anderson	Abingdon	julieanderson2@nhs.net
Dr Rachel Kasper	Abingdon	rachel.kasper@nhs.net
Dr Judith Wright	North Oxon	judith.wright2@nhs.net
Dr Peter Von Eichstorff	Oxford City	peter.voneichstorff@gp-k84032.nhs.uk
Dr Karen Kearley	Oxford City	karen.kearley@dphpc.ox.ac.uk
Dr Joe Santos	West Oxon	joseph.santos@gp-K84618.nhs.uk
Dr Andrew Burnet	South East Oxon	andrew.burnett1@nhs.net

The [second edition of the Oxfordshire GP Consortium bulletin](#) is now available.



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NHS in transition newsletter

NHS South Central will soon publish the second edition of its newsletter to provide updates about local progress on the reform of the NHS and ensure key partners are kept informed. The newsletter will be available at:

www.southcentral.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2011/04/Transition-Newsletter-Issue-2-April-2011.pdf

Letter from David Nicholson, NHS Chief Executive

A national view of the transition needed to bring the *Liberating the NHS* vision to life confirms much of what has already been explained and highlights four important principles:

- **co-production** – the National Commissioning Board and local GP consortia, NHS commissioners and local authorities, local commissioners and providers must work together. All must work with patients, carers and the public.
- **subsidiarity** – an assumption that things are done locally unless they need to be done at another level of the system.
- **clinical leadership** – will drive the commissioning system at all levels, underpinned by the evidence-based Quality Standards produced by NICE.
- **alignment** – between NHS, public health and social care and other commissioners in local and national government will be vital, and Health and Wellbeing Boards will provide an essential forum for achieving this

The letter also provides answers to some frequently asked questions on the Health and Social Care Bill.

www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Lettersandcirculars/Dearcolleagueletters/index.htm

Carers services update

The Transforming Carers project at the county council has awarded a new contract to provide carers services to Age UK Oxfordshire. The new service, which will be delivered under the name *Carers Oxfordshire* will take over existing provision from 01 April 2011. The new contract is designed to reach more carers with a more accessible service, while maintaining the high standards set by the current providers. A seamless switch to the new service is at the top of the priorities list for the coming weeks. For more details contact:

t: 01865 323619 e: john.pearce@oxfordshire.gov.uk



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OBMH + CHO = Oxford Health

The merger of Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Mental Health Trust with Community Health Oxfordshire saw the organisation take a new name as of 11 Feb 2011. They are now called **Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust**. This will not be abbreviated (as OBMH was), instead "Oxford Health" will be used as the standard format in all its publications, online presences and communications. The new email format for all staff will be: firstname.surname@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk

Call for Volunteers – Book Groups in Day Care

An Oxfordshire-based charity – 'Bookfeast' – are looking for new Group Leaders to lead book groups for older people in day care settings. Volunteers would lead a session for one hour during 2011, starting in April. Bookfeast offer training and have a TeaBook Coordinator who can provide support. For more information see the attached flyer or contact:

t: 01865 514149 e: contactus@bookfeast.net [Bookfeast flyer](#)

New Department of Health information web channel

A new Department of Health web channel provides the latest news on plans for health and social care. It brings together news, information, updates and resources on the changes and captures the latest developments for NHS providers, GP commissioning, public health and local government. Find out more at:

<http://healthandcare.dh.gov.uk/>

Care and Compassion – Health Ombudsman Report

Ten complaints about standards of care in the NHS have been collated into this report by the Health Ombudsman because of the common experiences of the patients concerned. These accounts present a picture of NHS provision that is failing to respond to the needs of older people with care and compassion and to provide even the most basic standards of care.

www.ombudsman.org.uk/care-and-compassion/home



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End of Life Care

The HWBP Board's member from Age UK (Anita Higham) recently attended a NHS end of life event to celebrate care homes' unsung heroes. The Project plans to produce a training DVD for the whole gamut of clinicians and social care practitioners involved in end of life care. Their latest newsletter provides a roundup of what's happening at the national End of Life Care Programme moving forward, especially where matters of 'inadequate communication' feature – something which is often a very worrying issue for patients and their families.

www.endoflifecareforadults.nhs.uk/news/all/neolcp-newsletter-issue-30-published

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