## **Public Face**



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*Public Face* shares news about patient and public involvement (PPI) activities in health and social care and in research across 700 stakeholders in the East Midlands. It contains snippets of news to help you find out more and get involved. Sign up at <a href="http://goo.gl/Hx0Im2">http://goo.gl/Hx0Im2</a> to register for this bulletin or email <a href="mailto:zenn.athar@nottingham.ac.uk">zenn.athar@nottingham.ac.uk</a> to contribute material, comment on items or unsubscribe. There's also a volunteering Vacancy Board at <a href="http://goo.gl/lkMSIv">http://goo.gl/lkMSIv</a> and an involvement Events Calendar at <a href="http://goo.gl/YhVXSm">http://goo.gl/YhVXSm</a>.

## **Dates and Deadlines**

- 41.1. From 1 April 2015, all new healthcare assistants and social care support workers must attain the Care Certificate within their first 12 weeks of employment. More details at <a href="http://goo.gl/O7cbLb">http://goo.gl/O7cbLb</a>.
- 41.2. Macmillan are looking for people who can challenge their ideas. Apply at <a href="http://goo.gl/Qd1Ycg">http://goo.gl/Qd1Ycg</a> by 2 April 2015.
- 41.3. Find out more about attending East Midlands Ambulance Service's focus group on 13/04/15 here <a href="http://goo.gl/BYilQl">http://goo.gl/BYilQl</a>.
- 41.4. Attend an event on 21/4/15 to find out more about improving the cancer journey for Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual people <u>http://goo.gl/wzgUR4</u>
- 41.5. Complete a survey on the uptake and quality of annual health check for adults with learning difficulties <u>http://goo.gl/VBI6QE</u> by 23 April 2015.
- 41.6. The School of Medicine is participating in the University of Nottingham's Mayfest on 9 May 2015. See <a href="http://goo.gl/VK7O7V">http://goo.gl/VK7O7V</a>
- 41.7. Please respond by 4 June 2015 to a consultation about supporting NHS staff to raise concerns about care quality <u>http://goo.gl/ocRdoY</u>.
- 41.8. The government has published a Green Paper on services for people with learning disabilities. Respond by 29 May at <a href="http://goo.gl/Exd8x5">http://goo.gl/Exd8x5</a>.

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## **Opportunities to get involved**

- 41.9. Loughborough University is recruiting people to take part in research studies on health and diet. See <u>http://goo.gl/KUuHZf</u>.
- 41.10. Leicestershire Healthwatch are recruiting Enter & View Authorised Representatives. Find out more at <u>http://goo.gl/ihP2dL</u>.
- 41.11. Interested in research into dementia? Join http://goo.gl/FJicra
- 41.12. Check out a list of a list of national policy consultations http://goo.gl/Gldymc.
- 41.13. Public lectures on health in Leicester details at http://goo.gl/mFHb8T

## The wider picture

- 41.14. The House of Lords report on how government consultations actually work is at <a href="http://goo.gl/DLEM4F">http://goo.gl/DLEM4F</a>
- 41.15. Service users and experts by experience will be involved in a new mental health taskforce see <a href="http://bit.ly/19lq3dg">http://bit.ly/19lq3dg</a>
- 41.16. Almost half of the public think that involving public representatives in health research will improve its quality. See <a href="http://bit.ly/1CRF034">http://bit.ly/1CRF034</a>
- 41.17. Improved protection for whistleblowers see <u>http://goo.gl/SYw1jT</u>. These notes hint at how much it is needed - <u>http://goo.gl/AL5ID3</u>
- 41.18. Get newsletters on involvement from NHS England at <a href="http://bit.ly/1BL7PxA">http://bit.ly/1BL7PxA</a> and from INVOLVE at <a href="http://goo.gl/Wgti2q">http://goo.gl/Wgti2q</a>.
- 41.19. See the Health Foundation's analysis of public attitudes towards the NHS at <a href="http://goo.gl/Od5eQO">http://goo.gl/Od5eQO</a>
- 41.20. Manchester health and social care are pooling their funds. Read some thoughts about that process at <u>http://goo.gl/j9Cgdl</u>.
- 41.21. News about involvement across Europe is at <u>http://goo.gl/9md8Ca</u>.
- 41.22. Experience-based design could be used in health services learn more at <u>http://goo.gl/Cz2P8I</u>
- 41.23. Nesta are offering grants to help hospitals get young people involved http://goo.gl/GMCTGL.
- 41.24. Should patients be allowed to self-refer? See <u>http://goo.gl/tDHiaH</u>.