## **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>.

- 47.1. Andrew Grundy is running a free training session for the public called Introduction to Research Methods at Self Help Nottingham from 10am to 1pm on 9/7/15. Book at training@selfhelp.org.uk.
- 47.2. Does your organisation offer its patient and public representatives an email address? Please a copy of your policy on this, or your ideas about whether it is a good idea to <a href="mailto:peter.bates@nottingham.ac.uk">peter.bates@nottingham.ac.uk</a>
- 47.3. See a whole bunch of areas where the government has removed the duty to consult at <u>http://bit.ly/1HZ6vu2</u> and <u>http://bit.ly/1erVWnX</u>.
- 47.4. Here's a report on the national impact of AHSNs <u>http://bit.ly/1G4Zeb3</u>.
  We're pleased to see plenty on public involvement in the new business plan for the East Midlands AHSN at <u>http://bit.ly/1J6y2eA</u>.
- 47.5. What do you know about aphasia? Please help a student by completing the survey at <a href="http://bit.ly/1G78ZBV">http://bit.ly/1G78ZBV</a>. It takes about 10 minutes.
- 47.6. The Research Design Service is offering training in how to include people - <u>http://bit.ly/1IngIBX</u>. The online training course for public contributors to research (the EPAP course) has been updated – see <u>www.EPAPonline.eu</u>. Free online training on how to influence decision makers and commissioners – see <u>http://bit.ly/1ImMmtP</u>

*Public Face* is an initiative of the <u>East Midlands Academic Health Science Network</u> (EMAHSN). It is compiled by Zenn Athar and Peter Bates and aims to promote Patient and Public Involvement in healthcare and health research. Contact: <u>zenn.athar@nottingham.ac.uk</u> or 0115 748 4216.

- 47.7. The Involvement Centre at Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust has been busy. The Trust welcomes feedback on its activities (see <u>http://bit.ly/1Cfhz03</u>). They advertise their work on Twitter (see <u>http://bit.ly/1dMiVJu</u>) and on a webpage (see <u>http://bit.ly/1GSopxM</u>). They work with Patient Opinion (see the video at <u>http://bit.ly/1FoJHO2</u>) and act on what they are told (see <u>http://bit.ly/1IR6d77</u>). They are currently surveying carers (see <u>http://svy.mk/1RcM1i1</u>).
- 47.8. CQC inpatient survey 2014 findings are available at http://bit.ly/1PKEiMV
- 47.10. Lay visitors improve quality of care homes see <u>http://bit.ly/1GSz2Rp</u>.
- 47.11. Free health checks save lives in Derbyshire see http://bit.ly/1TxCbv7
- 47.12. NHS England are looking for user-led tools that assess the quality of learning disability services see <a href="http://bit.ly/1ImFQU0">http://bit.ly/1ImFQU0</a>.
- 47.13. Comment on Nottingham's substance misuse treatment services at <a href="http://bit.ly/1GuDy73">http://bit.ly/1GuDy73</a>.
- 47.14. Comment on Lincolnshire's home care services at http://svy.mk/1fjRKqB.
- 47.15. Supporting people to manage their own health can both improve outcomes and reduce costs. The Expert Patient Programme costs £400 per patient and saves about £4,000 per year. See <u>http://bit.ly/1Jwp2xS</u>.
- 47.16. Apply for a place on the Board at Nottingham Healthwatch at <u>http://bit.ly/1J7SaNF</u>
- 47.17. See guidance on involving children in research at <u>http://bit.ly/1B0FmjJ</u>.
- 47.18. Help a research study from home. Volunteers need to be aged 60+ and providing care for a family member with dementia at home. Contact <u>Deborah.Oliveira@nottingham.ac.uk</u> or call 07463491670.
- 47.19. The number of GPs offering appointments, repeat prescriptions and access to summary information in medical records online has tripled in the first three months of the year to cover 97 per cent of patients. To use the services, ask your GP surgery to set-up your online access.