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Public Face shares news about patient and public involvement (PPI) activities in health and social care and in research across 704 stakeholders in the East Midlands. It contains snippets of news to help you find out more and get involved. Blue underlined text contains a hyperlink. Sign up [here](#) or email [here](#) to contribute material, comment on items or unsubscribe. There's also a volunteering [Vacancy Board](#) and an involvement [Events Calendar](#) to check out.

- 32.1. **Funding** for your patient involvement group. At the East Midlands AHSN, we have been concerned about a number of groups running out of funds for bus fare and basic operating expenses. Other patients want to start a new group, but have been unable to find enough money to reimburse travel costs or pay for tea and coffee. We have responded by creating a new award. Check out and apply for funding through a *PPI Group Award* [here](#) by 31 December 2014.
- 32.2. The brand new East Midlands [PPI Senate](#) had its first meeting on 4/11/14. The first tasks for the group include forming good working relationships with one another and deciding on a programme of work.
- 32.3. Save the date for a big East Midlands gathering for people interested in involvement is being planned for 16 March 2015 with national and local pioneers.
- 32.4. **Lincolnshire Partnership** NHS Foundation Trust are seeking [feedback on their research](#).
- 32.5. The East Midlands **Strategic Clinical Network** is inviting the public to review its draft involvement strategy on 2/12/14 from 10 am to 12:30pm. Details [here](#).

- 32.6. Respond to a survey [here](#) on mental health services for young people by 5 December 2014.
- 32.7. **Mental Health.** Read the Department of Health's plans to improve access to mental health care services [here](#). Self-harm by NHS mental health patients has risen by 56% - [details here](#). The Institute of Mental Health has released a new series of training packages for the 'shared journey of peer support' - more [here](#).
- 32.8. **Inspection.** Earlier this year, the Care Quality Commission consulted the public on how they regulate and inspect services. The results of the consultation and their response can be found [here](#), along with guidance for hospitals, mental health services and community services.
- 32.9. **INVOLVE** would like your views on a draft framework for values, principles and standards for public involvement in research - [Here](#).
- 32.10. Some people suffer harassment and **bullying at work**. Sometimes this involves emails or text messages. Please check out the survey for employees [here](#).
- 32.11. **DoLS.** A new procedure for the judicial authorisation of deprivation of liberty in settings outside hospitals and care homes came into force on 17/11/14 – details [here](#).
- 32.12. **Choice.** The inspection organisation [Monitor](#) has visited Lancashire and [insisted](#) that the NHS offers more [patients choice](#) and especially choice of hospital. In contrast, [NIHR](#) research has [found](#) that giving patients choice in treatment for their back pain does not improve outcomes.
- 32.13. **Papers.** [Assessing the impact of public involvement in research](#) and [valuing public involvement in research](#). Read a systematic review of patient engagement in research [here](#).
- 32.14. Compare the performance data from your local health or social care service with others by going to the new MyNHS website [here](#).
- 32.15. The Department of Health has published a new guidance leaflet on data sharing [here](#).
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