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*Public Face* shares news about patient and public involvement (PPI) activities in healthcare and health research across 435 stakeholders in the East Midlands. It contains snippets of news to help you find out more and get involved. Sign up [here](#) or email [here](#) to contribute material, comment on items or unsubscribe.

- 06.1. Can you invite other people to **sign up** to receive *Public Face*?
- 06.2. Lots of events are listed in the **PPI Events Calendar** [here](#). As I go to press, this link has stopped working, but hopefully will be repaired very soon!
- 06.3. Both *Research Engaging with Patients and the Public (REPP)* groups are meeting in December. Leicestershire, Rutland and Northamptonshire meet from 10am to noon on 3/12/13 at Edith Murphy House, De Montfort University – contact [Raksha](#). Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire and Lincolnshire meet from 10.30 to 1.30 on 19/12/13 at Room A07, Institute of Mental Health, University of Nottingham – contact [Dawn](#).
- 06.4. Current and former **cancer** patients - please attend a meeting on 11/12/13 to discuss a research proposal. It is at [Maggie's](#), Nottingham City Hospital. Coffee at 10am, presentation and discussion from 10.30am, fill in a questionnaire and then enjoy a free lunch at 12 noon. Participants are offered £20 to say thank you. More from [Vincent Pang](#).
- 06.5. **People in Research** run a [vacancy board](#) that advertises opportunities for people to get involved in research. You can select East Midlands.
- 06.6. [PiiAf](#) is a new framework you can use to assess the **impact of PPI** on research studies. Existing evidence on the impact of PPI is [here](#).
- 06.7. A new website has been launched for stories from people who say **research changed my life** through getting involved. See it [here](#).

- 06.8. **Invitations** are coming in for PPI reps to get involved, including: the East Midlands CLAHRC has invited PPI reps to carry out a lay assessment of their proposed programme of research; the East Midlands Leadership Academy has invited a PPI rep to join their Board Awayday in January, and the Dementia network (one the Strategic Clinical Networks) has invited a PPI rep to join their second meeting. These vacancies are filled, but please contact [me](#) if you want to volunteer or need help finding people to get involved.
- 06.9. The Government's [Care Bill](#) will change **social care**. If you live in Nottinghamshire, please comment on their plans [here](#) by 20/12/13 or go to your local council to see what they are doing.
- 06.10. Guidance for the **reporting** of Patient and Public Involvement in academic papers (known as [GRIPP](#)) was published in 2011. The authors are now seeking consensus on which aspects of PPI are essential to report. They want to hear from researchers, service users, clinicians, funders and commissioners. Contact Jo at [J.Brett@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:J.Brett@warwick.ac.uk).
- 06.11. The Government's [Mandate](#) to NHS England has been published. Paragraph 3.2 puts strong patient and public engagement as the first test to be passed when significant service changes are being considered.
- 06.12. Has your local **Health and Wellbeing Board** developed its strategy in partnership with local citizens? See what should happen [here](#).
- 06.13. A recent [survey](#) found that **European** citizens want more information about research and more opportunities to be involved. The European Union's approach to 'responsible research and innovation' is summarised [here](#). You can read how members of the public helped to set the priorities for European research investment [here](#).
- 06.14. NHS Choices want us all to sign up to the **pledge** "I will take time out this winter to look in on an elderly friend or neighbour to make sure they are warm and coping well." Make the pledge [here](#).
- 06.15. Job vacancies: Derbyshire Health United: [Complaints coordinator](#), and [Patient Experience Co-ordinator](#) – both have a closing date of 16/12/13; Nottingham: [Patient Experience Coordinator](#), closing date 4/12/13.
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