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Public Face shares news about patient and public involvement (PPI) activities in health and social care and in research across 489 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.

- 09.1. Happy New Year! A particular welcome to the brand new [East Midlands CLAHRC](#) that began its 5 year programme of research this month.
- 09.2. To **learn more** about PPI, listen [here](#) to an Orthopaedic Surgeon praise a cleaner and promote the importance of patient experience.
Alternatively, see Brian Fisher's summary and way forward [here](#).
- 09.3. Are you a **midwife**? Can you attend some **arts workshops** with [Paula McCloskey](#)? She is using performance, artwork and photography to research **childbirth**.
- 09.4. *People in Research* run a **vacancy board** that advertises opportunities for members of the public to get involved in research. You can select East Midlands or look nationally. See it [here](#).
- 09.5. NHS England wants all information to be available in **accessible formats** - easy read, audio, community languages and advocacy. They have started a project that will define a standard for this. There's more information and a survey for you to complete by 21/2/14 [here](#).
- 09.6. In Jan 2014, every household in England will receive a leaflet explaining how **care.data** will work to bring together information about NHS treatment and outcomes. The leaflet will explain what to do if you have concerns about your information being used in this way. See [here](#).

- 09.7. As a member of the public, it's hard to find out what research is being done, so here's some places to look. Try the [ISR CTN](#) database, where there are over 12,000 projects listed, each with a plain English summary. You are invited to give feedback on whether each summary is clearly written. Alternatively, the [Clinical Trials](#) database lists 150,000 projects, or try the list of 500 projects known to [Cancer Research](#).
- 09.8. The Health Research Authority have released a new 'decision tool' to help you decide if something counts as research. Another one helps you decide if your work needs to be reviewed by an ethical committee. See [Is it research?](#) and [Does it need ethical review?](#)
- 09.9. **Lay reviewers** of research funding applications will soon have the chance to join an online support group. See more [here](#).
- 09.10. Staff who **blow the whistle** on poor conduct should be applauded for doing so. See what you think about Charlotte Munroe's situation [here](#). See advice [here](#) on how staff should **apologise** when things go wrong.
- 09.11. You can see how your local Council is meeting its **social care** targets [here](#).
- 09.12. **Online Consultation**. The [NHS Choices](#) feedback website (like TripAdvisor) will reach the East Midlands soon. Here's [50 ways](#) to use social media in consultation, and an analysis of what has been said recently about the NHS on social media is [here](#).
- 09.13. Read a short discussion of how to meet the 2014 **Research Excellence Framework** objectives through public involvement [here](#).
- 09.14. Worried that your involvement activities fail to engage 'seldom heard' groups? See Peter Beresford's 2013 report '[Beyond the Usual Suspects](#)'. Or see the report [here](#) on how to engage people with communication impairments in research.
- 09.15. **Job vacancies**. Communications Worker, Nottinghamshire Healthwatch, £22k, closing date 15/1/14, details [here](#). Evidence Manager, Notts Healthwatch, £30k, closing date 9am, 3/2/14, details [here](#).
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