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Public Face shares news about patient and public involvement (PPI) activities in health and social care and in research across 564 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.

- 15.1. We now have a **Vacancy Listing** for opportunities to get involved. Go to the 'getting involved' page on our website [here](#) and scroll down to find it. Please send me your updates and additions to this list. Don't forget to check the **Events Calendar** there too.
- 15.2. You are invited to advise the government on its **social care reform** programme by 31/3/14 [here](#). Also please comment [here](#) by 4/4/14 on proposed amendments to [CQC](#)'s registration requirements that will introduce Fundamental Standards of care.
- 15.3. Patient representatives are needed on three groups at NHS Nottingham City Clinical Commissioning Group. They are the Long-term Conditions **Steering Group**, the 111 Steering Group and the Walk-in Centre Steering Group. Contact [Tracie Baker](#) for more information.
- 15.4. [GEM](#) are trying to get in touch with people involved in patient participation activities. You can register with them [here](#).
- 15.5. Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust has published its **involvement policy** – see it [here](#).
- 15.6. **University staff** may enter the [NCCPE](#) National Competition for Public Engagement in research. Apply [here](#) before 31/3/14.

- 15.7. An international group of specialists are getting together to promote research into treatment for pain and mobility problems in adults with **Cerebral Palsy**. So if you have CP or know someone who does, especially if you/they are aged 40+ and have pain, please contact [Di Broomhead](#).
- 15.8. Young people in Derbyshire have created a new website called **YouthInc** [here](#) that includes opportunities for people to have their say. Over 21,000 young people in the county voted in their new [Youth Council](#).
- 15.9. Do you use **mental health** services or care for someone who does? Do you/they have a care plan? If so, please complete this [questionnaire](#) (or call EQUIP on 0161 306 7863) and get a thankyou £10 shopping voucher.
- 15.10. You can read advice [here](#) written by an East Midlands PPI group on how to **give a lecture** or presentation to a diverse audience. [MindTech](#) have adopted this advice for their seminars. Could your organisation adopt it?
- 15.11. The government is also asking for your views on the details of a new criminal offence of ill-treatment or **wilful neglect** of users of health and social care services – respond by 31/3/14 [here](#).
- 15.12. Read what Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust has said [here](#) about **patient feedback**, following the BBC Newsnight report on 18/3/14.
- 15.13. Healthwatch England found 75 organisations are involved in managing **complaints** in the NHS – it's 'utterly bewildering'. Details [here](#). This follows Ann Clwyd's report on the hospital complaints system [here](#).
- 15.14. With the support of the Muslim community in Leicester, [DESMOND](#) have developed the Safer Ramadan toolkit which supports people with **diabetes** who wish to fast. Book your course in good time this year.
- 15.15. **Pancreatic Cancer** UK is looking to appoint two lay members to its Scientific Advisory Board. Apply by noon on 31/3/14 [here](#).
- 15.16. **Tony Benn** once said: "If one meets a powerful person - Adolf Hitler, Joe Stalin or Bill Gates - ask them five questions: "What power have you got? Where did you get it from? In whose interests do you exercise it? To whom are you accountable? How can we get rid of you?"
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