

## **NHS NETWORKS weekly news stories:**

10:56am, 11 March 2016

### [Innovation e-learning course](#)

Innovation is all about generating and implementing new ideas and breaking the mould to deliver success. This course shows you why innovation is important, how to create and select great ideas and how to realise them in your own organisation.

10:55am, 11 March 2016

### [£55m to end hospital referrals by second class post](#)

NHS England has set aside £55m to reward GPs and hospitals for making referrals digitally by 2018, calling time on the practice of referring patients to hospital by second class post.

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### [General ophthalmic services workforce statistics, December 2015](#)

This report shows the number of ophthalmic practitioners (optometrists and ophthalmic medical practitioners) authorised by NHS England regions in England and local health boards in Wales to carry out NHS funded sight tests as at 31 December each year.

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### [Value of using community pharmacies to deliver public health services](#)

BMJ Open has published the results of a systematic review of public health interventions delivered by community pharmacies, which concludes that commissioners should consider using community pharmacies to help deliver public health services.

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### [An impossible climate for NHS providers' finances?](#)

Another gloomy report about the state of hospital finances, this time from the Health Foundation, which looks both at trusts and the financial position of commissioners.

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### [National programme to combat antibiotic overuse](#)

NHS England has launched the world's largest healthcare incentive scheme for hospitals, family doctors and other health service providers to prevent the growing problem of antibiotic resistance.

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### [Parliamentary briefing on structure of the NHS in England](#)

A parliamentary briefing provides an overview of the funding and accountability relationships introduced with the health and social care reforms that took effect in 2013.

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### [Wellbeing team helps Stockton people stay at home](#)

A multi-professional assessment team supported by the Better Care Fund is helping vulnerable people in Stockton-on-Tees stay in their own homes.

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[Practical tools for problem-solving](#)

Professionals at every level need to find solutions to problems – practical solutions that can be justified and implemented. Although the context and content of our problems may be unique, it is likely that somebody has had this sort of problem before. Don't waste valuable time reinventing the wheel.

11:50am, 10 March 2016

[The impact of housing disrepair on health in later life](#)

This report from Care and Repair England shows the scale of poor housing conditions for older people, its concentration in the owner-occupied sector and the resulting impact on the health and wellbeing of an ageing population.

11:46am, 10 March 2016

[GP collections bulletin](#)

This issue of the monthly GP collections bulletin covers activity in March and upcoming activity in April.

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[Mental health access and waiting time guidance](#)

Data to support access and waiting time standards for early intervention in psychosis and baseline data to support development of the standard for children and young people with an eating disorder are now being collected as part of the mental health services data set (MHSDS).

11:44am, 10 March 2016

[Quick guide to sharing patient information for urgent and emergency care](#)

NHS England has published a quick guide to sharing patient information for urgent and emergency care.

11:34am, 10 March 2016

[Improving outcomes for people with neurological conditions](#)

NHS England is working with partners to deliver a coordinated programme of work aimed at improving care and outcomes for people with neurological conditions.

11:04am, 9 March 2016

[Have your say on the NICE resource planner](#)

The user survey on the NICE resource planner tool will close on 23 March so there's still time to have your say.

11:01am, 9 March 2016

[NHS staff to receive 1% pay rise](#)

Following recommendations from the independent NHS pay review bodies, the government has accepted a 1% pay rise for doctors, dentists and all NHS staff on Agenda for Change contracts for 2016 to 2017.

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[Guide to services for people with impaired speech](#)

NHS England has published a guide to augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) services for patients with impaired speech.

10:58am, 9 March 2016

[Urgent and emergency care footprint tool and data pack](#)

NHS England has published the urgent and emergency care footprint tool and urgent and emergency care performance trends data pack.

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[Challenge on dementia 2020: implementation plan](#)

The Prime Minister's challenge on dementia 2020 set out more than 50 commitments to make England the world-leader in dementia care, research and awareness by 2020.

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[Secondary mental health care for common mental disorder](#)

The National Institute of Healthcare Research sets out the evidence for organising secondary care mental health interventions by condition rather than by geography.

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[Role of the third sector in care and support planning](#)

A paper from National Voices suggests that the knowledge, skills, experience and resources of third sector organisations are crucial to the widespread implementation of care and support planning.

12:04pm, 8 March 2016

[Premises funding and decision making](#)

The NHS will require the development of existing and new premises to deliver better services more efficiently. Premises and estates strategy is a major concern for vanguards and Better Care programmes, which need to develop the infrastructure to support their service integration and transformation plans.

12:03pm, 8 March 2016

[New care models in practice](#)

In the March edition of PCC's newsletter Commissioning Excellence, Samantha Jones, director of the new care models programme at NHS England, talks about the progress of the vanguards and their role in bringing about change.

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[Spotlight on friends and family test](#)

The spotlight will be turned on the friends and family test next week (14 to 18 March) in an initiative aimed at boosting the number of people giving feedback on their NHS care and treatment.

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[NHS 100,000 genomes project takes centre stage at Healthcare Science Week](#)

NHS centres leading the 100,000 genomes project are to feature as part of Healthcare Science Week.

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[£2 million investment in safer maternity care](#)

Hospitals across England awarded a share of government funding to invest in new maternity safety equipment.

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[PHE launches One You](#)

Public Health England has launched One You, a campaign to help adults across the country avoid future diseases caused by modern day life.

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[Bringing together physical and mental health](#)

Until now, most efforts to promote integrated care have focused on bridging the gaps between health and social care or between primary and secondary care. But the NHS Five Year Forward View has highlighted a third dimension - bringing together physical and mental health.

15:30pm, 7 March 2016

[NHS to introduce new £600m financial incentive to improve staff health](#)

The NHS in England is step up its efforts to improve the health of its 1.3 million staff by offering financial incentives to support their health and provide them with healthy food options.

15:28pm, 7 March 2016

[Chief dental officer outlines key themes for oral health strategy](#)

The chief dental officer for England, Sara Hurley, has outlined the key themes of her proposed integrated strategy for oral health and dental care.

15:27pm, 7 March 2016

[Learning disability resource for local eye health networks and local optical committees](#)

A new resource has been launched by the national sight loss and disability charity, SeeAbility with the support of LOCSU.

15:25pm, 7 March 2016

[CCG 360° stakeholder survey 2015/16](#)

The CCG 360° stakeholder survey will be conducted by Ipsos MORI on behalf of NHS England from 29 February 2016 to 1 April 2016.

15:23pm, 7 March 2016

[One percent non-recurrent spend: guidance](#)

To contribute to health system risk management, HM Treasury has stipulated that all commissioning organisations (with the exception of specialised and public health) must ensure that the 1% non-recurrent spend required by the business rules is fully uncommitted at the start of the financial year.

15:22pm, 7 March 2016

[Fair processing notices](#)

CCGs must publish a fair processing notice so that patients and the public know how their data is being used

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15:10pm, 7 March 2016

[Demands of data collection activity: feedback requested](#)

The Health and Social Care Information Centre's burden advice and assessment service (BAAS) wishes to gather feedback on the demands and pressures of data collection activity, and potential measures that may help to deliver efficiencies.

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#### **NHS NETWORKS weekly message board updates:**

09:12am, 10 March 2016

[Pharmaceutical/Device Industry Value?](#)

Time and resources in the NHS can be stretched. I have found that sometimes some pharmaceutical and device companies have...

19:31pm, 9 March 2016

[Improving Rehabilitation Services 2016/17](#)

Webinar: Kings Fund and NHS Future Focused Finance Toolkit for Collaborative Teamwork Rehabimprovers may be interested in joining this webinar...

17:11pm, 8 March 2016

[Improving Rehabilitation Services 2016/17](#)

Do you or people using your services have ideas about how Greater Manchester neuro-rehabilitation services could be improved? We've been...

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[Improving Rehabilitation Services 2016/17](#)

Returning to the question on contacting commissioners in other areas of the country, how do you actually find the best...

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[Improving Rehabilitation Services 2016/17](#)

The Computer Assisted Rehabilitation Environment or CAREN is unique state of the art rehabilitation technology using virtual and immersive environments....

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#### **NHS NETWORKS weekly editor's blog entries:**

17:38pm, 10 March 2016

[Hospital bosses complain of poor care at never event](#)

The 30 trusts with the worst A&E performance were summoned to London last week by NHS Improvement's dour chief executive Jim Mackey.

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