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# CCG VOLUNTEERS NEWSLETTER

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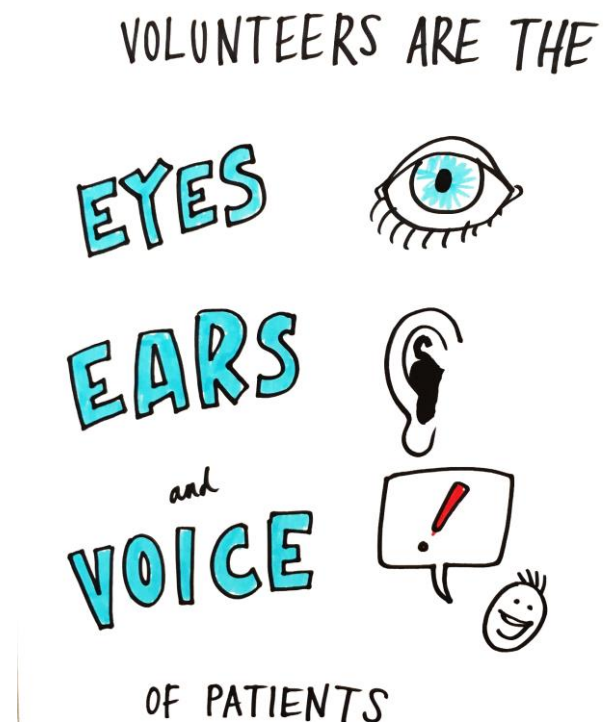
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## CCG Volunteers Newsletter

NHS Leeds CCG

This fortnightly newsletter intends to bring you up to speed with any opportunities and news relevant to your role as a CCG volunteer.

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For any suggestions about how we can improve this newsletter please email Adam on [adam.stewart1@nhs.net](mailto:adam.stewart1@nhs.net).

## News – **NEW/UPDATES**

This section is about any news relevant to the CCG or CCG volunteers programme.

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### CCG volunteers newsletter – **UPDATE**

Please note that the next volunteer newsletter will be sent on **Weds 4th Dec.**

#### Frequency of the Newsletter

We will continue with the newsletter fortnightly for now.

If you have any questions about the frequency of the newsletter please feel free to email [adam.stewart1@nhs.net](mailto:adam.stewart1@nhs.net) or [huma.malik3@nhs.net](mailto:huma.malik3@nhs.net)

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### Big Leeds Chat – **NEW/UPDATE**

The Big Leeds Chat took place on the 7<sup>th</sup> November, which was very successful. Thank you to everyone that has supported The Big Leeds Chat. To find out more about how the day went please visit: <https://www.leedsccg.nhs.uk/bigleedschat2019/>

### Wetherby Local Big Leeds Chat - **NEW**

You may be aware that we have been working with Healthwatch Leeds to deliver 'local Big Leeds Chats' to different areas of Leeds. There is one more due to take place this year which will be in Wetherby on Thursday 28 November between 11am – 2pm at Wetherby Town Hall.

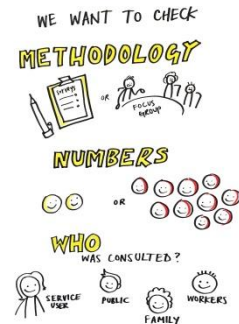
If you are interested in being a Chatmaker you need to be at Wetherby Town Hall for the briefing at 11am. **Please note that late comers won't receive a briefing.**

If you have any questions please contact [adam.stewart1@nhs.net](mailto:adam.stewart1@nhs.net)

## Patient Assurance Group (PAG) –

### **NEW** / **UPDATE** / **ACTION**

This section is about any news or updates about PAG. Please note that this section will not include PAG papers as they will be sent separately by the Governance team at the appropriate time.



### **November's PAG - UPDATE**

As discussed we are not cancelling PAG meetings and we had our first meeting without the 'formal' PAG meeting agenda. In the meeting it was discussed if all engagements (from low level engagement to high level engagement) needed some assurance from the PAG. Some of the themes that came out of this meeting were that all engagements should have some assurance. However it was discussed looking at every engagement will be very timely and won't leave enough time for the bigger engagements.

The next PAG, is scheduled for **Weds 4<sup>th</sup> December 10am-12pm**, at The **Old Fire Station, Gipton**.

### **December's PAG**

We know that there will be an item to assure on in December's PAG meeting. This will be on an upcoming **consultation** (Level 4) on **maternity** services. This is going to be a big piece of engagement and we are keen to get you involved in the assurance on this work.

### **PAG Papers - NEW**

The relevant papers for PAG will be set out **5 working days before the meeting** now, instead of 10 working days.

### **Attending PAG - ACTION**

Although we already have four volunteers for each meeting, please do keep putting your name forward if you can do these dates, as we will try to ensure everyone gets a chance to attend wherever possible.

We may also have the opportunity to allow people to observe a PAG, where you would not be an active member but can see how they work.

If your name does not appear below, and you have told us you can attend, or if you are now unable to attend any of these dates, please contact Caroline, [caroline.mackay2@nhs.net](mailto:caroline.mackay2@nhs.net)

If you would like to attend any of these PAG meetings please email [caroline.mackay2@nhs.net](mailto:caroline.mackay2@nhs.net)

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Volunteers attending</b>
<b>4 December</b>	10am – 12pm	Old Fire Station, Gipton	Kath, Tricia, John, Francis
<b>8 Jan 2020</b>	2pm - 4pm	WIRA House	Leanne, Kath, John, Francis
<b>5 Feb 2020</b>	6pm – 8pm	Hinsley Hall	Leanne, John, Pauline, Vicky
<b>4 March 2020</b>	10am – 12pm	WIRA House	Leanne, Kath, John and Tricia

We will be sending out dates for **2020/2021** soon.

## Opportunities -

This section is for the current opportunities we have for volunteers to get involved in projects. If you are interested in any of the opportunities or would like more information, please contact the relevant person in the engagement team.



**At present there are no new opportunities. We will update this section when something new comes along.**

If you are aware of other engagements that we have not listed, please get in touch with Adam and let us know and we will happily share in the next newsletter.

Any updates regarding our engagement projects can be found on our website on our consultations page: [www.leedscg.nhs.uk/get-involved/consultations/](http://www.leedscg.nhs.uk/get-involved/consultations/)

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## Current engagements

### **NHS England Consultation – West Yorkshire Specialised Vascular Services – Closing date 30 November 2019**

Vascular services reconstruct, unblock or bypass arteries and are often one-off specialist procedures to reduce the risk of sudden death or amputation and prevent stroke. Currently, the specialised vascular services in West Yorkshire are delivered from three centres – Leeds General Infirmary, Bradford Royal Infirmary, and Huddersfield Royal Infirmary.

Based on a need to reduce the number of specialised vascular centres from three to two as identified by Yorkshire and The Humber Clinical Senate, the proposed recommendation being consulted on is that those centres should be at Leeds General Infirmary due to its status as a major trauma centre, and Bradford Royal Infirmary due to its co-location with renal care.

The proposals could result in all specialised vascular surgery that requires an overnight hospital stay being transferred from Huddersfield Royal Infirmary to Bradford Royal Infirmary, which would potentially affect up to 800 patients a year.

There are three main reasons for the recommended change to services set out as part of the consultation:

- Specialised vascular centres must be able to deliver a safe and sustainable service to comply with NHS England's national service specification.
- There are significant staffing pressures at both the Bradford and Huddersfield centres, and while teams are working very hard to maintain good patient outcomes and deliver the appropriate volume of activity for specialised vascular procedures, the service cannot continue in its current form.
- Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust and Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust currently run a shared out of hours on-call rota for emergency vascular services between the two sites, which is not supported as an acceptable or long-term solution by NHS England or Yorkshire and Humber Clinical Senate.

We want to hear from as many people as possible in the West Yorkshire area to support NHS England North East and Yorkshire with this consultation. This includes

current or previous users of patients, carers, family members, volunteers and health and care staff.

Please do share this wherever you are able and give feedback yourself. More details and the link to the survey can be found here: <https://www.leedsccg.nhs.uk/get-involved/your-views/wyvascular/>

## Training and learning

This section is about any upcoming training available.

**All sessions will be taking place at the Old Fire Station in Gipton (LS9 6NL).**

Date	Training session	Details of training	Time
22 Nov	<b>Introducing the NHS</b>	This session will look at the impact of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 on NHS organisations and patients. We will explore the new NHS landscape and look at how NHS organisations are structured locally. We will also look at national drivers for change including government policies, the rising demand for health and social care and the impact of the Francis report. For this training session please email <a href="mailto:anna.walters@nhs.net">anna.walters@nhs.net</a> too book on	10am – 12:30pm

### Other training sessions

There are a number of organisations that deliver training across the city. Many of these are available on the Voluntary Action Leeds (VAL) website (link below).

[Find training in the area on the Doing Good Leeds website](#)

If you find a course you think is relevant to your role as a CCG Volunteer, you can speak with your mentor if you would like to book on.

## CCG Volunteers Peer Support – **UPDATE**/**ACTION**

This section is about opportunities for CCG Volunteers to be involved in peer support. There will be updates around peer support meetings and other opportunities to liaise with fellow volunteers in order to support one another.

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### 2020 - Peer Support Meetings – **UPDATE**/**ACTION**

As decided in the meeting, future groups will be held **every three months** for now and a member of the engagement team will be there to provide support. This can change as the group becomes more established; we will work to support you on this.

**ACTION** - The next group will be held on **Weds 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 6-8pm At WIRA house**. If you can make this or if you need to send your apologies please can you email [adam.stewart1@nhs.net](mailto:adam.stewart1@nhs.net)



## Resources

This section is about any information that would be relevant to your role, such as information about NHS, commissioning, etc. We will occasionally post recent report and evaluations here also.

If you are aware of any resources that you would like to share with us or your fellow volunteers please send them to Adam [adam.stewart1@nhs.net](mailto:adam.stewart1@nhs.net)

1. **How NHS works** - King's fund video about how NHS works in England –

[www.kingsfund.org.uk/audio-video/how-does-nhs-in-england-work](http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/audio-video/how-does-nhs-in-england-work)

2. **Commissioning for outcomes – measuring what really matters**

[www.health.org.uk/sites/health/files/MeasuringWhatReallyMatters.pdf](http://www.health.org.uk/sites/health/files/MeasuringWhatReallyMatters.pdf)

3. **Five Year Forward View (FYFV)**

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/5yfv-web.pdf>

4. **Leeds Health and Care Plan**

[inspiringchangeleeds.org/ambition/lhcp/](http://inspiringchangeleeds.org/ambition/lhcp/)

5. **NHS Long Term Plan**

[www.longtermpplan.nhs.uk/](http://www.longtermpplan.nhs.uk/)

6. **NHS Leeds CCG - Strategy Presentation slides**

You can find the slides from Tim Ryley's strategy presentation [here](#) .

7. **Involving You report, 2018 – 19**

[www.leedsccg.nhs.uk/content/uploads/2019/05/Involving\\_you\\_2018-19.pdf](http://www.leedsccg.nhs.uk/content/uploads/2019/05/Involving_you_2018-19.pdf)

8. **NHS Leeds CCG annual report 2018-19**

[www.leedsccg.nhs.uk/publications/nhs-leeds-ccg-annual-report-and-accounts-2018-19/](http://www.leedsccg.nhs.uk/publications/nhs-leeds-ccg-annual-report-and-accounts-2018-19/)

9. **2019 Calendar of Engagement**

[www.leedsccg.nhs.uk/content/uploads/2019/07/2019\\_Calendar\\_of\\_Engagement.pdf](http://www.leedsccg.nhs.uk/content/uploads/2019/07/2019_Calendar_of_Engagement.pdf)

## **10. CCG Volunteer Induction Day Presentation Slides**

[https://www.leedsccg.nhs.uk/content/uploads/2019/10/Induct\\_pres\\_2019\\_10\\_03.pdf](https://www.leedsccg.nhs.uk/content/uploads/2019/10/Induct_pres_2019_10_03.pdf)