

Devon Health and Wellbeing

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At the recent Health and Wellbeing Board, we signed off an update to our Health and Wellbeing Strategy which reflects the changing picture of health and wellbeing across Devon, and incorporates any emerging priorities and actions we plan to take. These additions build on the priorities and actions we set out in our original Health and Wellbeing Strategy (2013-16) last year, which remain relevant.

The updates are now available on our website, and we are inviting people to give us their feedback on these proposed additions. It's important we continue to have a dialogue, both with special interest and user groups and with our wider communities and public, to make sure we're addressing changing needs as they become evident; and that, as representatives from the many different organisations that commission and provide health services in Devon, we understand our roles and responsibilities, and work in a cohesive and co-ordinated way to deliver the best services to people.

Next month will see Devon County Council hosting the national Rural Health Conference, at Sandy Park in Exeter. As a large, predominantly rural authority, Devon faces significant challenges in achieving the best health for its population; with fuel poverty and social isolation featuring high on our agenda of issues to address.

We're pleased to be hosting this important conference, and I will seek to ensure that Devon is a key contributor to the debate about the effect of rural living on our health and wellbeing.

Our work with our district partners on the health and wellbeing agenda is progressing well; and Northern Devon, Exeter and Teignbridge have all set up local partnerships that complement, and contribute to, the wider Devon H&W strategy. This will enable us all to ensure well co-ordinated and targeted local plans, which encompass the range of needs and services within the local communities and focus on local priorities.



Andrea Davis
Chairman – Devon Health and Wellbeing Board

For more information go to www.devonhealthandwellbeing.org.uk

Reports and briefings

Devon Health and Wellbeing Board

The [minutes](#) of the Devon Health and Wellbeing Board, held on 5 September, are now available.

Health and Wellbeing Strategy update

The Health and Wellbeing Board has approved some proposed [additions](#) to the Health and Wellbeing Strategy (2013-16) which reflect emerging priorities and actions.

We are asking for feedback from individuals and user groups that tell us:

- Are the updates relevant?
- Are the new priorities appropriate
- Are there any additional areas of priority or actions that should be included, and why?

Feedback can be given by visiting the web page, e-mailing lan.tearle@devon.gov.uk; or by phoning 01392 386386.

Campaigns and activity update

There are several campaigns underway throughout the autumn and winter months, some of which are led by Public Health England, others are local, more targeted campaigns.

[Stoptober](#) – PHE and DCC – October 2013

Be Clear on Cancer – [blood in pee](#) campaign (PHE) – October 2013

Skin Cancer – targeting men in their 50s – Cancer Research – October 2013

[Seasonal flu vaccination campaign](#) – PHE / DCC – Autumn 2013

[National HIV Testing Week](#) – Terrence Higgins Trust - 22-29 November.

Events

Rural Health Conference

Devon is hosting the annual [Rural Health conference](#), at Exeter Chiefs Conference Centre, Sandy Park on October 18.

Organised by the new Rural Health Network, the event will focus on the latest developments in rural tele-health, diagnostics, tele-care, rural proofing, commissioning rural health services and provide an opportunity to attend best practice workshops on a range of subjects of interest to Clinical Commissioning

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Groups, clinicians, practitioners and partners of those involved in providing health and social care to rural communities

Tackling tobacco Workshop

Organised by Smoke Free South West, the tackling tobacco [workshop](#) - working together to build a tobacco-free future for our children, is on Friday 4th October 2013 10am-4pm at MShed, Bristol. To reserve a place or for further details email info@smokefreesouthwest.org.uk

University of Exeter Medical School Showcase event

The showcase on Friday 27 June, 2014, will enable you to view our work, network with the regional research community, develop collaborations and to listen to keynote speakers. We are particularly keen to promote the breadth of research activity taking place in the medical and health sectors across the University, the NHS and other partners.

Further information [here](#) - further details and how to register to follow.

Primary Care Strategy Event - 25 September 2013

Healthcare in the NHS is changing with increasing demands for new treatments, rising cost pressures and an ageing population.

This one-day [event](#) will help shape the future of primary health care in the South West.

Other updates

Healthwatch update

Healthwatch Devon is pleased to introduce Aggie Szpinda, who joined the team earlier this month as the new Engagement Officer for Children and Young People.

Aggie's role within Healthwatch Devon will involve working with children and young people to ensure their voices are being heard and assist them in having an influence in the development of the health and social care services.

In her first few weeks Aggie will be looking to meet with partners/agencies working with children and young people in order to establish an engagement framework and action plan for future activity.

Aggie can be contacted on 01392 248919 ext*180.

If you would like to subscribe to the Healthwatch Devon newsletter, please complete the [form](#).

CCG Newsletter

The September 2013 edition of the CCG's monthly newsletter, Healthy People, is [here](#)

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Resources

The following resources are available on the website to support the planning of health and wellbeing services in the County. These resources are regularly updated and details of forthcoming updates are also included below.

Annual Public Health Reports – The latest report (2012-13) has just been released and is essential reading for anyone interested in health. It focuses on progress over the six years of NHS Devon, and looks six years into the future. It focuses on the changing health commissioning landscape in Devon and contains some useful information at locality / CCG level as well:

www.devonhealthandwellbeing.org.uk/aphr/2012-13

JSNA Devon Overview – highlights main health issues and population groups across Devon, this is due to be updated in October:

www.devonhealthandwellbeing.org.uk/jsna/overview

Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy – the Health and Wellbeing Board led strategy, which picks out the priorities for improving health and wellbeing to help inform the commissioning plans of organisations. The four overarching priorities in Devon are a focus on families, healthy lifestyle choices, independence in older age, and social capital / building communities: www.devonhealthandwellbeing.org.uk/strategies

Health and Wellbeing Outcomes Report – this is a regular report to the Health and Wellbeing Board identifying progress on priorities from the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. These reports include a breakdown by CCG, locality and sub-locality, updated for each board meeting – this is the September 2013 version, and will be updated in early November:

www.devonhealthandwellbeing.org.uk/jsna/health-and-wellbeing-outcomes-report

JSNA Local Area Health Profiles – includes profiles for towns, districts, localities (although not Western and SD&T at the moment as these were not in existence when these were last done), and GP practices, these will be updated in October as part of the JSNA refresh: www.devonhealthandwellbeing.org.uk/jsna/profiles

Locality Public Health Improvement Plans – these compile information on a local basis and set a number of Public Health priorities. They are annual plans and are due to be updated in October: www.devonhealthandwellbeing.org.uk/jsna/himp

Non-Elective Activity Monitoring Reports – these reports look at standardised emergency admission and bed day rates by Complex Care Team, CCG / Locality and GP practice, to highlight differences in urgent care activity. They are standardised for age, sex and deprivation so more meaningful comparisons can be made between areas: www.devonhealthandwellbeing.org.uk/jsna/performance/urgent-care-report

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