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Newsflash

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2018--Back on track

With the new year, we return to our usual fortnightly production of *Newsflash*. We always welcome your suggestions for inclusion, including public involvement events, news and involvement opportunities in the West.



NICE Conference bursary

Apply by 26th Jan; Conference 26th June

For: National patient, carer, service user and voluntary organisations, local and regional Healthwatches

What: NICE have announced a bursary

JOURNAL CLUB

Public Involvement Journal Club

8th February, Bristol

For: Anyone interested in public involvement

What: A chance to discuss a published public involvement paper. Future dates are 19th April and 28th June.

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Event: Rewriting Psychosis screening

20th January, Bristol

For: Anyone interested

What: [Bristol Health Partners Psychosis Health Integration Team \(HIT\)](#) is running this free community screening of award-winning film CRAZYWISE followed by speakers, debate and snacks.

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Event: From tokenism to empowerment

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Involvement ethics

Raksha Pandya-Wood and colleagues have published [A framework for public involvement at the design stage of NHS health and social care research: time to develop ethically conscious standards.](#)

Involvement reporting

Health researchers are 'missing a trick' by not demonstrating how patients and the public have contributed to the design and conduct of research, the [Health Research Authority \(HRA\)](#) has said. In reviewing applications, HRA note that "Despite the growing numbers of reports of involvement a sizeable proportion of applicants still seem to be unclear about the definition of involvement and in fact described other kinds of activities. This shows that there is still much to do to promote a common understanding of public involvement and to explain how it can help health and social care research."

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Engage for Change Online Training

Apply by 15th Jan; Course starts 20th Feb and 20th Mar

For: Current NHS volunteers

What: The 'Understanding the Health and Social Care Environment: Engage for Change' training is a 12-week online course, with a full day of in-person presentations at the end.

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For: Patients, public community voluntary sector leads, NHS senior executive and non-executive leads and Board of Governor leads for quality and patient safety.

What: NHS England is hosting this event to explore how equality and diversity in participation can contribute to improved quality, safety and experience.

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New online platform for health

hyvr is a new social networking and digital engagement platform developed by the West of England AHSN to bring together citizens and innovators from the healthcare ecosystem. The platform is unique in encouraging users to self-organise into communities and in promoting the co-creation of healthcare products and services. *hyvr* facilitates communication between stakeholders who may never usually interact by allowing members of the public to test prototypes, discuss services, provide feedback on product features and crowdsource new concepts. *hyvr* is still at the testing stage. The West of England AHSN is encouraging anyone interested to register and try it out on www.hyvr.co.uk. Do send your feedback to admin@hyvr.co.uk



NHS Consultation

closes 1 February, online/by post

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anyone you feel may be interested.

What: NHS England seeks your feedback on proposals to support research in the NHS.

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People in Health West of England is a collaborative approach to involving patients and other members of the public to promote a strong public voice for better involvement, better research and better health.



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