



Community Hospitals Association (CHA) Newsletter #14



1. Celebrating 50 Years of the CHA!

Our celebrations have been amazing this month. We have shared videos, quotes, good practice resources and much more throughout social media and our website. Our reach on twitter has been more than 60k. As a result we have many more members, and some invaluable contacts and connections made. Thank you to everyone who has contributed.

If you have more to share on your community hospital and good practice please email Trish Jay at celebrating@communityhospitals.net. Follow us on twitter @CommHospUK and tag us #CommHosp50. Also follow us on facebook and linked-in as well as our website - <http://www.communityhospitals.org.uk/>

2. CHA Members Forum

CHA members contributed to a lively session discussion on Frailty in community hospitals.



The feedback on the forum was really positive.

"Brilliant, frailty is a big issue for community hospitals."

"Proud to be part of the community hospital family."

"Good to hear about how things are done differently – will join in again."

Dr Anne Hendry presented the House of Care Model on Frailty which was considered to be a very useful and relevant model.



The notes and resources from our CHA Members Forum meetings are now on the website:

<http://www.communityhospitals.org.uk/about-quality-improvement.html>

CHA members are invited to join us for our next discussion which will be on Medicines

Management. Please email us if you would like the zoom link: infocommunityhospitals@gmail.com

* Medicines Management *

2nd December 7pm led by Evelyn Prodger, CHA lead on Quality and Innovation

3. Valuing Community Hospitals – Series of Webinars



The CHA and University of Birmingham are running 3 free webinars that will have a focus on how to apply learning from recent evidence.

Details here. <http://www.communityhospitals.org.uk/events.html>

Register here. https://bham-ac-uk.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_dX8LwdHxQX2-Mf8nlt8nwg

Webinars

- *International Learning
- *Efficiency of Community Hospitals
- *Value of Community Hospitals

Thursday 5th Nov 11.30-1pm

Thursday 12th November 12.30-2.00pm

Thursday 19th November 12.30-2.00pm

4. Discussions on Rural Health and Wellbeing

Rural Health and Care Wales are offering a free 2-day webinar on rural health.

Details here. <http://www.communityhospitals.org.uk/events.html>

Register here. <https://ruralhealthandcare.wales/rhcw-events/rural-health-and-care-wales-conference-2020/>

Webinars

*Optimising Rural Health and Wellbeing, now and in the future 10th & 11th November

5. CHA News Stories

News stories featuring community hospitals can be found on our website. These include features on community hospitals: <http://www.communityhospitals.org.uk/news.html>

***Keswick & Brampton Community Hospitals**

Upgrades continuing in Cumbria to improve and extend services and facilities

***South Molton Community Hospital**

Will take student nurse placements from new North Devon School of Nursing

***Newark and Mansfield Community Hospitals**

Are taking patients from main acute hospitals to help manage demand due to Covid-19

***Edward Hain Hospital**

Concerns that there are plans to see the site of the hospital in Cornwall

***Llandridod Wells Hospital**

Approval has been given to phase 2 of the upgrade

***Andover War Memorial Hospital**

The first in the Region to get a CT scanner with an investment of £1.5m

*** Malton community hospital, New Selby community hospital etc,**

Will all be closed to visiting because of Covid-19.

***Forest of Dean Community Hospital**

A consultation on the services to be in the proposed replacement hospital

***Felixstowe Community Hospital**

Has received an ECG machine funded by the Rotary Club

***Brackley Health Centre**

Will open with beds

***Feilding Palmer Hospital Lutterworth**

Action group reports positive progress (more detail below)

6. Feilding Palmer Hospital, Lutterworth

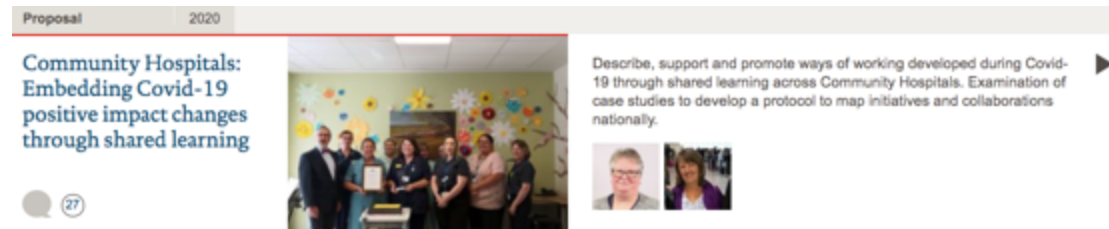
The CHA has been working with the community who are concerned about the future of their community hospital service. The contribution that the CHA has made in helping to bring parties together is recognised in the press release from Leicester City CCG:

Andy Williams, Chief Executive Officer for the three CCGs in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland, has welcomed discussions and thanked Mary Guppy Community Rebuild Lutterworth Hospital Group for sharing their ideas to support the development of a plan for health services in Lutterworth, and in particular, Feilding Palmer Hospital. Discussions took place at a meeting between NHS leaders and Mary Guppy's Group organised by local MP for South Leicestershire Alberto Costa. At the meeting, Mary Guppy's Group presented the group's vision for hospital services in Lutterworth based on research into other similar community health projects and informed by the National Community Hospitals Association. The proposals were warmly received by NHS Leaders.

Thanks to Richard Hallett and Chris Humphris of the CHA for their work on this, and we wish all those concerned with the community hospital good luck on their future plans. To read more please follow the link <http://www.communityhospitals.org.uk/news.html>

7. Q Exchange Proposal from CHA

We have now formalised our original “idea” into a “proposal” and will be notified if we have made the shortlist. There are 168 proposals for 10 grants of £30k. Our study recorded a total of 27 comments, which was the third highest. We believe that our proposed study will be important in recognising the current role of community hospitals and helping to shape their future. We are hoping to be through to the next stage in January 2021, when Q members will be invited to vote for proposals.



8. History of Community Hospitals

The CHA has a unique library of resources on cottage and community hospitals. We have been pleased to make some of these available as downloads as part of our 50 years Celebrations. Do explore some of these. They make fascinating reading!

<http://www.communityhospitals.org.uk/history-community-hospitals.html>

9. Free Membership!

As a special offer for our 50 years celebrations, we are offering a lifetime free membership for individuals here: <http://www.communityhospitals.org.uk/joining-cha-membership.html>

10. Coronavirus Resources

The CHA has collated important resources that are relevant for all health services. Please let us know if there is anything that you have found useful to you in your work, and wish to share it. Latest additions concern staff health and wellbeing.

<http://www.communityhospitals.org.uk/coronavirus.html>

11. CHA Social Media

The CHA shares news on community hospitals across the UK on social media and on our website.

Twitter: @CommHospUK please tag us #CommHosp50

Linkedin: Community Hospitals Association

Facebook: Community Hospitals Association

Website: <http://www.communityhospitals.org.uk>