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Family Health Week - it's no accident!

From Monday 10 July – Friday 14 July, Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust (LPT) is running **Family Health Week**, holding several health promotion events across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland which focus on different aspects of accident prevention to support families to keep children and young people safe.



[Healthy Together](#) is the name for LPT's recently recommissioned 0-19 public health nursing services (largely health visiting and school nursing) for children, young people and their families in Leicester City, Leicestershire and Rutland. A significant part of the role of the Healthy Together public health nursing teams is to carry out health promotion work, supporting

local families to lead healthier, happier lives. Family Health Week displays and events will be held in children's centres, schools, youth and community centres across our region.

The theme of accident prevention is timely as the school holidays approach and family routines change, and important given that accidents are a leading cause of

death, serious injury and acquired disability for children in the UK, accounting for three deaths every week and more than 2,000 hospital admissions.¹

Janet Harrison, head of service at LPT, said: “Family Health Week provides a great opportunity for our public health nursing teams to engage with families about different aspects of their health and wellbeing, and also to signpost them to the sources of support that are available locally.”

Details of all the events happening across Leicester City, Leicestershire and Rutland are available on our website [www.leicspart.nhs.uk/ News-FamilyHealthWeek2017.aspx](http://www.leicspart.nhs.uk/News-FamilyHealthWeek2017.aspx) . This page will be updated throughout the week, and we will also be sharing information via LPT’s social media channels: Facebook (LPTnhs) and Twitter (@LPTnhs) using the hashtags #KeepSafe #FamilyHealthWeek and #HealthyTogether

Healthy Together is commissioned by Leicester City Council, Leicestershire County Council and Rutland County Council.

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¹ Source: Child Accident Prevention Trust (CAPT)

NOTES TO EDITORS

- Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust (LPT) provides community health, mental health and learning disabilities services for the one million people living in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. We have a budget in excess of £275 million and employ approximately 5,500 staff. For more information visit: www.leicspart.nhs.uk. Our registered charity is called Raising Health (charity number 1057361). The charity fundraises to support excellent care initiatives, equipment and innovations which go above and beyond core NHS provision to enhance the experience of our patients, service users and staff. See www.raisinghealth.org.uk
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