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Bringing Christmas song to our wards

Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust (LPT) is hosting more than a dozen carol services to help those in hospital share in festive celebrations.

The events will take place in our hospitals and units across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

Members of local community groups are providing the music and leading the singing at some venues, while at others the events are being led by the LPT chaplaincy service.

Mark Burleigh, head of chaplaincy, said: “It is partly to bring some Christmas cheer to people on the wards at this time, including patients, their visitors and staff.



“It is also an opportunity for interaction between the community and the local health service, and I would like to thank the schools, local churches and community choirs who have volunteered their time to take part.

“These services also remind us of the Christian story at what is a very important time of year for the Christian faith.”

The services will include Christmas carols, other Christmas songs and poetry, although the exact mix will vary at each event.

They are taking place as follows:

Sunday, 9 December, 4-5pm, Hinckley and Bosworth Community Hospital;

Monday, 10 December, 7-8pm, Coalville Hospital (St David’s Church);

Tuesday, 11 December, 1.30-2.30pm, Melton Hospital (Brownlow Primary School);

Thursday, 13 December, 6.30-7.30pm, Loughborough Hospital (Knightthorpe Methodist Church);

Sunday, 16 December, 2.30-3.30pm, St Luke's Hospital, Market Harborough;

Monday, 17 December, 10-11am, Agnes Unit;

Tuesday, 18 December 2.30-3.30pm, The Willows;

Tuesday, 18 December, 7-8pm, Loughborough Hospital (Hathern Band)

Wednesday, 19 December, 7-8pm, Loughborough Hospital (Holywell Free Church)

Wednesday, 19 December, 10-11am, Rutland Memorial Hospital (Knossington pre-school);

Wednesday, 19 December 12.30-1.30pm, Learning and Development Centre, Perimeter Road, Glenfield Hospital site;

Wednesday, 19 December, 2-3pm, Feilding Palmer Hospital, Lutterworth;

Thursday, 20 December, 10.30-11.30am, Stewart House/Mill Lodge, Narborough;

Thursday, 20 December 2-3pm, Involvement Centre, Bradgate Unit;

Friday, 21 December, 1.45-2.45pm, Coalville Community Hospital (Broom Leys School);

Monday, 24 December, 10-11am, Evington Centre - Coleman and Gwendolen wards;

Monday, 24 December, 2-3pm, Evington Centre - Beechwood and Clarendon wards.

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.

Raising Health is our registered charity (number 1057361) which raises funds to support LPT's 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. www.raisinghealth.org.uk

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