

LPT News

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STEP up to GREAT

...creating high quality, compassionate care and wellbeing for all

Dear stakeholder,

Welcome to the first edition of this year's stakeholder newsletter LPT News. It's already been a busy start, having received our information request from the CQC in preparation for their next visit to our Trust. It will be an unannounced visit so this could be any time between now and April; however we are confident that we have a good story to tell.

Our new vision '*creating high quality, compassionate care and wellbeing*' and our Step up to Great strategy has become well embedded within our Trust governance framework and with the support of our system partners, we have seen significant improvements in key areas such as our CAMHS waiting lists and adult mental health out of area placements. We also have a plan in place to address dormitory accommodation in our mental health units, and our new CAMHS unit is on target for opening in early autumn. We know we have more to do but we are positive about the improvements we have made over the last six months.

We continue to be an active system partner and are delighted that LLR has been selected as an Ageing Well accelerator region, one of only 7 in the country. You can read more about this in this newsletter. We are also pleased to have been a finalist in the HSJ awards for Workforce Innovation. Finally, we have begun to look at operationalising some of the improvements identified by over 1000 service users and staff in our All Age Mental Health Programme. This is evolving into a Step up to Great Mental Health delivery plan, which also takes into account latest evidence, research and learning from across the country. More details of this will be shared with you over the coming months.

Thank you as always for your support. Please keep an eye out of all our latest news by following us on Twitter: [@LPTnhs](https://twitter.com/LPTnhs) or visit our new website: www.leicspart.nhs.uk

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Cathy Ellis
Chair



Angela Hillery
Chief Executive



1. Trust Board update



Our Trust board structure has been updated to reflect the recent appointments of:

- Daniela Cecchini as Deputy Chief Executive (in addition to her existing role as Director of Finance)
- Gordon King as Director of Adult Mental Health
- Chris Oakes as Director of Corporate Governance and Risk (shared role with our Buddy Trust, Northamptonshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust)
- David Williams as Director of Strategy and Business Development (shared role with our Buddy Trust, Northamptonshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust)
- Dr. Anne Scott as Interim Director of Nursing, Allied Health Professionals and Quality

2. LPT are an 'Ageing Well' accelerator

Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust is helping to lead the region in caring for older people. Together with local authority and commissioner colleagues, we have been chosen to spearhead new ways of working that will spread across England. Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland was one of seven areas chosen to be a regional accelerator site for the Ageing Well scheme.



It will ensure that older patients have a two hour or 48-hour response to a sudden deterioration in their health condition, allowing them to remain safely at home and avoiding a hospital admission.

The seven areas will share £14m, although the allocation to each area has not been finalised. It will come on top of £2.5m the three LLR Clinical Commissioning Groups have already pledged to develop 'Home First' community services.

3. Beacon appeal update

Our chair, Cathy Ellis, was delighted to accept a cheque for £5,000 from Councillor Richard Bowers, chair of Glenfield Parish Council on Friday 24 January. The parish council has made this generous donation to the Beacon Appeal, which is fundraising for specialist sensory and sporting equipment to enhance inpatient care at the [new mental health facility for young people in Leicester](#) which is due to open in the early Autumn.



In presenting the cheque, Councillor Bowers, who was accompanied by other members of the parish council, said: "It's brilliant that we will have this new inpatient facility for young people in the heart of Leicester. On behalf of Glenfield Parish Council, I'm honoured to be able to make a donation to such an important local cause."

Cathy Ellis said: "It's really exciting to see this building coming together. Its design centres on a clinical model put together with staff and young people so that the facility will really feel like a 'home from home'. The sensory lighting and sporting equipment that we are fundraising for through the Beacon Appeal will positively impact the mental wellbeing of our young inpatients, so on behalf of LPT I'd like to extend heartfelt thanks to Councillor Bowers and Glenfield Parish Council for their incredible generosity."

4. Enhancing Allied Health Profession apprenticeships at LPT

The Allied Health Professions' (AHP) Council for Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland have been successful in a recent funding bid to enhance AHP apprenticeships.



Health Education England announced in early December that it would be making a number of regional funding awards to support the development of AHP 'Faculty Test Beds' – money to develop and train the local AHP workforce in line with the objectives set out in the NHS Long Term Plan and Interim People Plan.

As the lead organisation for the bid, we already have a proven record of AHP apprenticeships at level 4 and level 6 across speech therapy, occupational therapy and physiotherapy. The £20k funding (which runs until the end of March 2020) will be used to further extend the existing apprenticeship programme to more of the allied health professions, creating a toolkit to enable other areas and organisations across the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland system to support apprentices within their teams, and provide a quality experience for them.

Deanne Rennie and Stephanie O'Connell, our AHP leads and founding members of the AHP Council for Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland, said: "We're so delighted to have been successful in securing the funding for the East Midlands region. As an AHP Faculty Test Bed, we will focus on creating a comprehensive and high quality apprenticeship framework, developing support tools that can be used locally, regionally and nationally to encourage different entry routes into AHP roles and ensuring a sustainable workforce for the future."

5. LPT have been shortlisted in the Health Service Journal Partnership Awards



A project which helped ensure Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland patients get the right care from their community nurses at the right time has been shortlisted for three national awards.

The project involved introducing sophisticated computer software to juggle the needs of 9,000 community patients, the availability of staff, the skills those staff needed to deliver each patient's care, and the locations of all the homes that needed to be visited.

It was a joint effort from LPT software developer The Phoenix Partnership (TPP), consultants Newton Europe, and Leicestershire Health Informatics.

Together they have been shortlisted for the Health Service Journal Partnership Awards, in the Workforce Innovation category. The winner will be announced at a ceremony in London on February 27. They have also been "highly commended" for the Team Work and Collaboration category of HTN (High Tech Newspaper)'s People and Partnership Awards, which were announced on January 22. [More](#)

In November 2019 the same project was a finalist in the Nursing Times awards.

6. New Research Envoys at LPT



The LPT Research Envoy Scheme 2020 was launched on 21 January 2020 by the research and development team. The scheme enables 12 LPT staff to grow their understanding of research, raise the visibility of research within their service and increase the opportunities for their patients to be participants in national and international studies. The Research Envoys will learn more about how research improves care and links to our Step up to Great strategy.

Our CEO Angela Hillery shared that a positive research culture within LPT allows us to embed and sustain our evidence based practice and that this scheme differentiates us a Trust.

7. Arts in Mental Health Project



UNLOCKED – an exhibition created by offenders at HMP Leicester, HMP Stocken, and the probation services – will invite art gallery visitors to step inside the world of a prison this March.

As part of the Leicester-based exhibition, offenders at HMP Stocken have recreated a cell from the Rutland prison using interiors including a bed, toilet, mirror, desk, chair, television and personalised sundries such as toiletries. The installation at New Walk Museum and Gallery will cocoon visitors in the sounds of a prison wing via

an audio background recorded at HMP Leicester. The visitor then steps out into the gallery to be faced with projections and audio visual on the theme of HOPE, the overarching theme for the exhibition.

Soft Touch Arts are collaborating on a three-year research project with Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust (LPT) and De Montfort and Nottingham Trent Universities into the positive impact of art on the rehabilitation and mental wellbeing of prisoners. The work focuses on the CHIME (Connectedness, Hope, Identity, Meaningfulness, and Empowerment) model of recovery. The CHIME method has not previously been focused around the arts, nor considered in the criminal justice context.

We hope you've enjoyed reading this edition of LPT News. If you have any questions or want to find out more about any of the articles please get in touch with us at:

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