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Clinical Commissioning Group*

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[Transforming our communities consultation ends 7 October](#)



A reminder that the closing date for completed questionnaires and comments for

the community health services consultation is **5pm on Friday 7 October 2016**.

Please complete the questionnaire if you have not already done so. We would also really appreciate your help in the distribution of questionnaires - electronically and via hard copy:

- [ToC consultation questionnaire \(link to online survey\)](#)
- [ToC consultation questionnaire \(PDF 185KB\)](#)

Supporting information, which includes helpful leaflets and videos explaining a step-up/step-down facility, are available on the [CCG's website](#)

Please take a look! Thank you for your help.

[Reminder for next Patient Congress 'world cafe' event - 6 October](#)



The next Patient Congress event will be on **Thursday 6 October** from 5pm-7pm at Caedmon College Whitby, Scoresby Site, Airy Hill, Whitby, North Yorkshire YO21 1QA.

This free event will include updates on key local health projects and services, the opportunity to ask questions of local GPs and senior CCG staff and round table discussions in 'world cafe' style. Anyone is welcome to attend.

- Dementia and care of the frail elderly
- Time to Change (mental health)
- Whitby Transformation
- Engaging with young people
- Working with the voluntary sector
- Open discussion (for anything else)

For more information or to download the booking form please

visit www.hambletonrichmondshireandwhitbyccg.nhs.uk/patient-congress

Alternatively you can ring 01609 767600 or email hrwccg.media@nhs.net to book your place. Please help to spread the word!

Sir Ian Botham opens new simulation suite at The Friarage



Cricketing legend Ian Botham joined the Friends of the Friarage Hospital and staff at the new facility which boasts a state-of-the-art 'manikin' – paid for by the Friends – which can breathe, blink, react to medicine and even speak, simulating life-threatening medical conditions such as a heart attack.

The new suite at the Northallerton hospital will give students including trainee doctors, nurses and GPs, the chance to treat a 'living' manikin, and hone their skills carrying out a diverse range of procedures and treatments before using them to treat actual patients.

It will also be used for a variety of staff training in the hospital including venepuncture, cannulation and catheterisation. [Read more](#)

[Reassurance over The Friarage Hospital in Northallerton](#)

We recently responded to misleading reports about down-grading the current A&E service at The Friarage Hospital in Northallerton to a GP-led service.

An offer which was sent to local GPs for expressions of interest for a three-month pilot, is part of a proposed new model which would mean better integration of primary care, ambulance services and hospital based services to improve the quality, resilience and sustainability of services.

We have seen that weekend periods (Saturdays and Sundays from 9am-6pm) are busiest and some patients are not currently being seen within four hours. This support from GPs on weekends would be in addition to existing A&E doctors and other A&E staff.

We must emphasise that the CCG is not intending to remove urgent care at The Friarage, or close the hospital itself. [Read more](#)

[Sycamore Hall receives first patient](#)

The pilot step-up/step-down bed at the Sycamore Hall extra care housing facility in Bainbridge has released its first patient back home.

A patient was referred to the facility by their GP late August. They were then cared for until they were fit to go

[STPs and the Better Health Programme](#)

You may have heard of the term 'STP' which means Sustainability and Transformation Plans. These relate to new planning footprints throughout England. This is separate to 'BHP' which is short for the Better Health Programme.

The CCG is not directly involved in the

Feedback from the patient and family has been very positive and supportive of the initiative.

This is the first facility of its kind in Richmondshire and is a pilot for the new model of care under [Transforming Our Communities](#)

More details from the pilot to come!
You can also [watch a video of the Sycamore Hall](#) facility online now.

[New air ambulance launched](#)

The first patients have been carried by Yorkshire's new air ambulance.

The £6 million Airbus H145 helicopter has carried patients who fell from a height and from a horse to hospitals, following the completion of crew training and a full medical fit-out.

The aircraft will be based at Yorkshire Air Ambulance's flagship Nostell Air Support Unit, near Wakefield.

A second H145 has been ordered and will be in operation next year based at RAF Topcliffe near Thirsk.

[Dyspraxia card available online to patients](#)

BHP which is currently undertaking a public consultation of services across Durham, Darlington and Tees. We are however, involved in discussions about STPs as we have been more closely aligned with the North East due to many of our patients attending South Tees Trust's James Cook University Hospital in Middlesbrough and the Friarage Hospital. The CCG will release more information as and when it is available.

[ENT clinics back in Whitby](#)

The CCG can confirm that Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT) clinics will be back in Whitby Hospital from 17 October 2016.

South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust are providing these clinics within the current hospital - they were temporarily removed by the previous provider.

This is really good news for patients in and around the Whitby area. Please help to spread the word!

Are you a patient with Dyspraxia or do you care for someone who is?

[The Dyspraxia Foundation](#) has an online shop which includes a 'Dyspraxia Alert Card' which can be bought for just £3.50 (or free if you become a member of the Foundation).

Dyspraxia, a form of developmental coordination disorder (DCD) is a common disorder affecting fine and/or gross motor coordination in children and adults. It may also affect speech.

An individual's coordination difficulties may affect participation and there may be a range of co-occurring difficulties which can also have serious negative impacts on daily life. These include social and emotional difficulties as well as problems with time management, planning and personal organisation, and these may also affect an adult's education or employment experiences. More information can be found on their [website](#)

Dates for your diary

- **6 October** - Patient Congress - 5pm - 7pm (Caedmon College Whitby, Scoresby Site, Airy Hill, Whitby YO21 1QA)
- **10 October** - World Mental Health Day event (Richmondshire Cricket Club, Hurgill Road, Richmond DL10 4AR) [download flyer](#)
- **19 October** - 5.30 – 7.30pm - Better Health Programme event (Catterick Leisure centre) [Register now](#)
- **26 October** - 5pm - 7pm - Better Health Programme event (Fountain Hotel, Hawes) [Register now](#)
- **24 November** - Governing Body meeting - 10am - 1pm (Evolution Business Centre, 6 County Business Park, Darlington Road, Northallerton DL6 2NQ)

Contacting your HEN Representative

As a member, you can directly contact your Health Engagement Network representative:

- **Hambleton** – Ken Elliott – hambleton.hen@nhs.net
- **Richmondshire** – Jane Ritchie MBE – richmondshire.hen@nhs.net
- **Whitby and surrounding area** – Linda Lloyd – whitby.hen@nhs.net

Please help us to grow our network! Membership forms can be completed online or downloaded from our [website](#)



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