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Welcome to our e-bulletin issue 54 bringing you up to date with latest news and resources.

Thanks to everyone who has emailed us with news stories, comments and suggestions. If you have any information or ideas for the bulletin please contact [Mita Brahmhatt](#) at the Eastern Development Centre. If you have any difficulty accessing this bulletin or its contents please contact us so that we can help.

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## Regional News

**Do you want to be involved in shaping health and social care? Norfolk Local Involvement Network (LINK) would like to hear from you.**

The Norfolk LINK (Local Involvement Network) is an independent network of local people and groups which aims to give communities a stronger voice in how health and social care services are delivered.

Individuals can get involved in different ways, either by regularly contributing their views, or by giving their time to participate in working groups or leading the Norfolk LINK as members of the strategy group. Community and voluntary organisations, user-led organisations, carers' groups and those who already campaign on behalf of people who use health and social care services may also participate as members.

If you'd like to know more about the Norfolk LINK or share your experiences of health and social care services there will be a series of events in Norwich and market towns across Norfolk in November and December 2008:

 Please click [here](#) for the event details visit. For more information about the Norfolk LINK visit <http://www.norfolklink.org/norfolklink.pdf>

## Crisis Resolution Home Treatment launches in Waveney and Great Yarmouth

After many months of planning, a Crisis Resolution and Home Treatment Team for people over the age of 65 in Waveney and Great Yarmouth has now been launched.

The team, based at Carlton Court, Lowestoft, will cover both the Great Yarmouth and Waveney areas offering alternatives to hospital admission and enabling older people to return to their own environments with support.



The Team consisting of a Team Leader, 5 Senior Practitioners, 4 Community Support Workers will operate from 8am till 9pm seven days a week. When required they will have access to a newly appointed Psychologist working across the Acute inpatient wards and Crisis Resolution and Home Treatment Teams.

Initially the Team will be taking referrals from the inpatient services.

 Please contact [Louisa Griffith-Jones](#), for more information

## **Empire of Care Exhibition at Hollytrees Museum in Colchester**

The National Health Service celebrates its 60th Anniversary this year and Hollytrees Museum is hosting an exhibition about the lives and stories of the nurses who came to Colchester to work for the NHS, recruited from other countries throughout the Commonwealth Empire.

This fascinating exhibition displays objects, stories, photographs and press cuttings to bring the story of Colchester's overseas nurses to life. Insightful interviews capture the pioneering spirit of these trainee nurses; their journeys, experiences, the uniforms and the friends they met along the way.

This exhibition can be enjoyed free of charge in the beautiful surroundings of Hollytrees Museum. It is open 7 days a week. Mon – Sat 10am – 5pm. Sun 11am – 5pm.

 Please click [here](#) for more information




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## **National News**

### **New guidance published to support NHS Duty to Involve**

A strengthened duty to consult has now come into force which requires NHS organisations to involve people in planning and changing services. The duty applies to Primary Care Trusts (PCTs) and Strategic Health Authorities (SHAs) in regard to their commissioning role, and to provider trusts including Foundation Trusts. PCTs also now have a duty to report on their consultations.

 Please click [here](#) to read the full report

### **Independent evaluation of the Department of Health's Individual Budgets pilot has now been published.**


The independent evaluation of the Department of Health's Individual Budgets pilot has been published. A combined team from The University of York Social Policy Research Unit, the Personal Social Services Research Units of Manchester University, the London School of Economics, the University of Kent, and King's College London wrote the report.

 Please click [here](#) to read the report



## **New report on the state of mental health services highlights that mental health services in England are leading the way in Europe**

To mark the 10<sup>th</sup> October World Mental Health Day, a new report from the World Health Organisation was published on the state of mental health services in Europe. This report found that England is leading Europe in terms of mental health services provision.

 Please click [here](#) to read the news item and to read the report

## **IRIS Website Launched**


The IRIS website, dedicated to practitioners, services and people who have an interest in Early Intervention in Psychosis was launched on World Mental Health Day. It is the result of a collaboration work between Iris and the National Institute for Mental Health in England

 Please click [here](#) to visit the website

## **Train to become a Mental Health First Aid Instructor**

Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) is the help given to someone experiencing a mental health problem before professional help is obtained.

The National institute for Mental Health in England (NIMHE) is currently seeking applicants who would like to train to become a MHFA Instructor,

 Please click [here](#) for more information on how to apply

## **Co-ordinator of Service User and Carer Involvement Wanted**

The clinical psychology training programme at Salomons, Tunbridge Wells (part of Canterbury Christ Church University) trains professionals to work in the NHS. They are looking for a successful candidate to co-ordinate and promote the involvement of service users and carers in this training.

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## Eastern Development Centre Update

### Regional consultation of the review of the No Secrets guidance.

*28<sup>th</sup> November - Stansted*

The Department of Health, the Home Office and the Ministry of Justice have launched the national consultation on the review of the No Secrets guidance. We are running a regional event to support this review.

 Please click [here](#) to read more and for a registration form

### Regional Experts by Experience Group is looking for new members!

The regional Experts by Experience (EbE) group is looking for new faces and fresh energy. We are holding an induction day on 21 January 2009 for people to come and learn more about what we do and how to get involved.

 Please click [here](#) for more details

### Real People Real Power Conference is taking place on 19 March 2009

The regional Experts by Experience group of mental health service users and carers are running a conference on 19<sup>th</sup> March at the Fielder Centre, Herts. Various interactive workshops and presentations on many current topics will be held.

 Please click [here](#) for more details



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## Events

### Upcoming events include:

#### **Is Information Technology the Key to Empowering Patients?**

*21<sup>st</sup> November 2008*

*London*

 Please visit [www.sochealth.co.uk](http://www.sochealth.co.uk) (under conferences) for more information

#### **Achieving World Class Commissioning**

*27<sup>th</sup> November 2008*

*London*

 Please click [here](#) for more information



## **Towards Effective Prevention in Adult Social Care**

*3rd December 2008*

*Cambridge*

 Please click [here](#) for more information

## **1<sup>st</sup> National Mental Health First Aid England Conference**

*10th December 2008*

*London*

 Please click [here](#) for details

## **Welfare Reform: A Streamlined Benefits System**

*10th December 2008*

*London*

 Please click [here](#) for details

## **Learning and teaching about perinatal mental health: Don't let women slip through the net**

*12<sup>th</sup> January 2009*

*Stoke-On-Trent*

 Please click [here](#) for details

## **Ageing Population 09**

*29<sup>th</sup> January 2009*

*London*

 Please click [here](#) for details

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## **Useful Resources**

### **Health Intelligence East - November 2008 edition (Eastern Region Public Health Observatory's monthly publication)**

The publication is a round-up of news, events and resources from the Intelligence Group - consisting of the East of England Strategic Health Authority, Health Protection Agency (HPA), Eastern Cancer Registration and Information Centre (ECRIC) and the Eastern Region Public Health Observatory (erpho).

 <http://www.erpho.org.uk/viewResource.aspx?id=18080>



## NIACE Resources

The National Institute of Adult Continuing Education (NIACE) and The Basic Skills Agency (BSA) have merged into one organisation – NIACE. They now offer an even larger and broader range of inspirational and authoritative titles covering issues from language, literacy and numeracy to family learning; ICT to government policy; financial literacy to citizenship; and many more.

 Visit <http://www.niace.org.uk/publications>

## The Department of Health Bulletins

**The Week** – Need to know information for chief executives and their teams.

 <http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Bulletins/theweek/index.htm>

**The Month** – Key messages from NHS Chief Executive David Nicholson and the NHS Leadership team

 <http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Bulletins/themonth/index.htm>

**Allied Health Professionals Bulletin** – For matters relating to the organisation and delivery of AHP

 <http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Bulletins/Alliedhealthprofessionalsbulletin/index.htm>

**Children, Families and Maternity E-bulletin** – For updates on the Every Child Matters: Change for Children agenda

 <http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Bulletins/ChildrenFamiliesandMaternitybulletin/index.htm>

**Equality and Human Rights Bulletin** - For equality leads and everyone working in health and social care with responsibility for, or interest in, equality issues

 <http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Bulletins/EqualityandHumanRightsbulletin/index.htm>

**GP Bulletin** - GPs and the primary care audience, including practice managers and nurses.

 <http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Bulletins/GPbulletin/index.htm>

**Social Care Bulletin** – Items of direct interest for social care staff

 <http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Bulletins/Socialcarebulletin/index.htm>



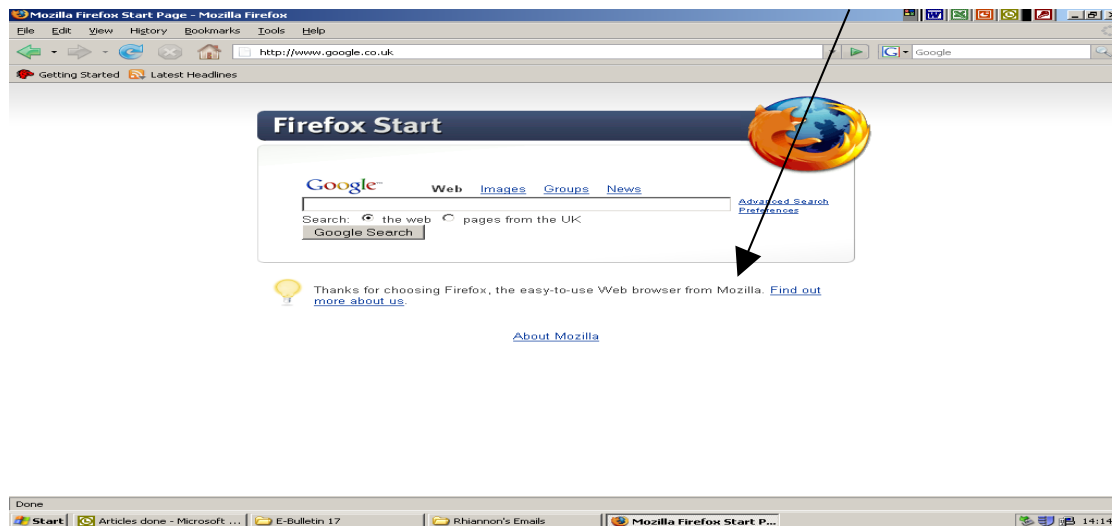
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Other information about the Eastern Development Centre

We are currently running the following programmes of work (in alphabetical order):

- Children and Families (including Change for Children and the National CAMHS Support Service) – **Tracey Cogan 01206 287586**
- Health and Social Care in Criminal Justice – **Neil McIntosh 01223 597551**
- Mental Health (National Institute for Mental Health in England, NIMHE) – **Susannah Howard 01206 287592**
- Social Care – **Amanda Reynolds 07775 631510**

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