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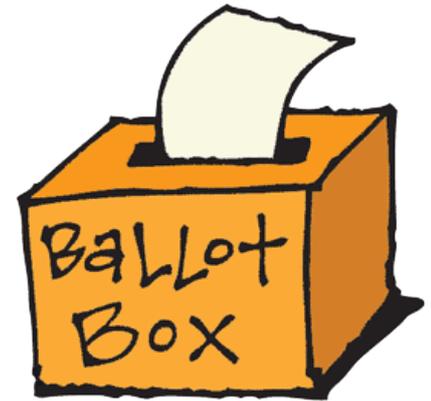
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Members Newsletter, Spring 2016

Election of CCG Public & Patient Involvement (PPI) Lay Member



In January the CCG invited Accord members to express an interest in the position of Lay member on the CCG governing body with a lead role in championing patient and public involvement. We are

different from other CCGs as in North East Lincolnshire we stipulate that our PPI Lay member must be a member of Accord and live in the local area; and that Accord members must have a say on who is appointed. A number of Accord members expressed an interest in the role and now Accord members have the opportunity to vote for one of the two short-listed candidates.

What does the PPI lay member do? The PPI Lay members helps to ensure that, in all aspects of the CCG's work the public voice of the local population is heard and that opportunities are created and protected for patient and public empowerment.



Why should Members vote?

Mark Webb the Chair of the CCG is encouraging all Accord members to use their vote to make this important decision. *'The PPI Lay member role is crucial to ensure that the governance of the CCG takes into account the views of the local community,. After interviewing a very strong field of candidates, we would like you to choose the candidate you believe will drive forward public involvement at Board level in the CCG'*

How to Vote Accord members are invited to view the personal statements from each candidate which can be found on the **back page** of this newsletter. Once you have made your selection you can vote:

By email to nelccg.accord@nhs.net and tell us your membership number or—if you do not have this - your full name and the name of the candidate you are voting for; or

By post—request a ballot paper by calling us on 0300 3000 563 and we will post one out to you—you can post this back to us by FREEPOST.

There is one vote per member. The Ballot ends at 12 noon on Wednesday March 16th and the name of the successful candidate will be announced on the CCG and Accord websites.

Your invitation to join us for—‘The Way Forward 2016/17’

At the Accord annual meeting last September members told us they would like to see more opportunities for Accord members to meet to discuss health and social care plans. North East Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and North East Lincolnshire Council have a shared vision of health and social care working together and taking care of people’s needs in a way that is designed around our residents and that reduces wasteful duplication or gaps in services. Our Commissioning Intentions and Adult Social Care Commissioning Strategy will set out how we want to achieve this.

We are inviting stakeholders and members of Accord to join us at our event—‘The Way Forward’ where we will share these plans and discuss our priorities and projects for the upcoming year. The session will consist of a mix of presentations, discussions groups and informal opportunities to speak to commissioners and community members at ‘market stalls’.

When: Thursday March 31st from 12.30pm to 4pm

Where: Centre4, 17 Wootton Road, Grimsby DN33 1HE

To register: Contact us on nelccg.accord@nhs.net or call 0300 3000 563, places are limited.

Accord Ambassador Training coming soon

Accord Ambassadors attend community events and meetings to spread the word about Accord and encourage local people to join. They are the voice of Accord in the community and actively promote the scheme across North East Lincolnshire.

Training to become an Ambassador is a great way to gain more insight into the NHS, learn new skills, make new friends and make a real difference in your community.

When: Starts **Wednesday April 13th** from 1pm to 4pm over six weeks

Where: Centre4, 17 Wootton Road, Grimsby DN33 1HE

How do I sign up? Places are limited and will be allocated first come first serve. Contact us on nelccg.accord@nhs.net or call 0300 3000 563

Community Forum News

Congratulations to Wendy Wood, Council of Members; and Roy Rufus-Isaacs, Equality & Diversity who have been reappointed to their roles with the Forum.



Roy Rufus- Isaacs

Forum members are committed volunteers who feed back concerns and compliments from the local community to influence and inform the CCG’s decision making about health and social care.



Wendy Wood

Last month Forum members met to review their achievements over the past year and set their goals for the coming year. They will be updating Accord members with their plans in the next edition of According to...

Accord Steering group news

Long standing Accord member **Trevor Brooks** was elected as Chair of the Accord Steering group by his peers in January. Trevor joined Accord in 2009 and when he retired in 2014 after 35 years working in social housing and with the local authority decided to get more involved. Trevor took part in the Accord Ambassador training last year and was an inaugural member of the Steering group.

"I look forward to working with my colleagues on the group to raise the awareness of Accord, increase membership and encourage members to become more of a say in how NHS and adult social care services are provided in North East Lincolnshire."



The Steering Group is currently preparing to participate in the CCG's Way Forward event (see opposite page) and will be very involved in the Accord Ambassador training which starts in April.

If you would like an Ambassador to come to your community group to talk about Accord and how members can have a say in the development of health and social care services locally please contact us on nelccg.accord@nhs.net or call 0300 3000 563.

Accord in the spotlight with NHS England

Members of NHS England's Public Participation Team visited the CCG in January having been impressed with the Accord website and our membership offer. Olivia Butterworth, Head of Public Participation at NHS England (right) accompanied by her colleagues Wayne Kirkham (centre) and Catherine Leggett (left), discussed public and patient engagement with CCG board members, Community Forum and Accord Steering group members.



During the meeting Olivia tweeted her thoughts on our work to her 3715 followers...

Thank you for inspiring me [@NELAccord](https://twitter.com/NELAccord) and [@NELCCG](https://twitter.com/NELCCG) for sharing your work on community involvement [#grimsbyrocks](https://twitter.com/grimsbyrocks) [#nhsparticipation](https://twitter.com/nhsparticipation) [#futureNHS](https://twitter.com/futureNHS)

A very big shout out to everyone [@NELAccord](https://twitter.com/NELAccord) [@NELCCG](https://twitter.com/NELCCG) some of the best community centred commissioning practice in the country I think

Hearing about fab work by [@NELAccord](https://twitter.com/NELAccord) [@nelccg](https://twitter.com/nelccg) care triangles of community, clinical and service [#nhsparticipation](https://twitter.com/nhsparticipation)

Lay Member Election Candidates



Philip Bond

As **YOUR** serving Community Lay Member, I have been instrumental in re-launching Accord and our Patient Participation Chairs Group (PPGs), chairing both throughout the last 12 months. At this pivotal time for local healthcare, continuity in public representation is essential.

Between 2006-2013, I was publicly elected governor on our Hospital Trust Council, serving as elected Lead Governor

2011-2013. I am Chair of Directors of the local Trust running Tollbar, Cleethorpes and Reynolds Academies (voluntary), being Chair of Governors at the first two and have 30 years' experience as Principal Legal Adviser (retired) in the Magistrates Court.

Vote for me to ensure YOUR VOICE and OUR COMMUNITY continues to be effectively represented at CCG Board Level to improve healthcare by the delivery of safe and high quality services LOCALLY.



Steve Johnston

I have lived and worked in Grimsby and Cleethorpes for over 30 years and recently retired from public service, where I worked closely with partnerships across North East Lincolnshire, including financial inclusion, homelessness, troubled families and health and wellbeing.

I have a wide appreciation of the impact of worklessness on individuals and communities and how this is negatively impacting health outcomes and opportunity in NEL. I believe I can offer Accord members and the CCG my leadership experience and knowledge to really make a difference and help shape future service provision.

I absolutely believe in the power of people and community engagement to get things done and would also hope to use my engagement skills to benefit of Accord members and the service users they represent.

See front page for details on how to vote. There is one vote per member. The Ballot ends at 12 noon on Wednesday March 16th and the name of the successful candidate will be announced on the CCG and Accord websites.