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| Health Visitor Programme - Weekly News |

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**Action - Listening to the Voice of the Family Project - National Roll Out**

The DH has commissioned the Centre for Children and Families Applied Research (CCFAR), Coventry University to deliver a programme designed to enhance the competencies of health professionals when working with young children and families using new innovative engagement re-sources.  This programme will be delivered through a train the trainer model in 3 stages.

**Session 1** – online learning (approximately 3 hours to be completed at a time convenient for you)

**Session 2** – attending a practical workshop within your SHA area

**Session 3** – online learning & evaluation (approximately 3 hours to be completed at a time convenient for you)

We are suggesting that this training presents an opportunity for members of your skill mix team ie community nursery nurses to feel involved in the programme and gain experience therefore you may wish to nominate them to take part. They must feel confident and able to act as trainers for the health visiting team.

We are looking for 30 participants across the region who will be able to attend a 1 day workshop on Tuesday 5th February 2013 (location to be confirmed but likely to be in the Cambridge/Newmarket area) If all organisations could nominate 2-3 participants please. They will need to read the attached information sheet and complete and return the attached consent form by 13th November.



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**Action – RCN Recruitment Event 8th January 2013**

The RCN will once again be hosting a Health Visitor recruitment event in the East of England. The location is to be confirmed. We are working closely with the RCN and need your help to participate in the event.

* Members of the Health Visitor operational team – attendance required to support the event and talk to prospective candidates.
* Nominations sought for an inspirational Health Visitor speaker – ‘The Rewards and reality of being a Health Visitor’
* Nominations sought for a Newly Qualified Health Visitor Speaker – ‘Health Visiting Today’ (10-15 mins)
* Speaker form an HEI – ‘What does Health Visiting look like today and how to progress your interest in Health Visiting as a career’

We would also like to encourage participation through HEI stands, displays showcasing Health Visitor innovation. This offers the trust marketing teams the opportunity to promote themselves as employers of choice.

This event is timed to coincide with the launch of our 2013 recruitment campaign.

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**Action for Ops Leads please - Recruitment Campaign 2013**

Comments needed by Friday 9th November on attached recruitment strategy.



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**Action – Health Visitors needed to contribute to a Fatherhood Institute online parenting resource**

If you would like to participate please email healthvisitorpa@eoe.nhs.uk

The Fatherhood Institute is planning the development of an online parenting resource for teenage mums and young fathers.  This resource will support the engagement and interest of young dads and young mums and will be ideally suited for staff working with young couples but will also be appropriate for working with young parents or young parents-to-be individually.  The resource is being created from an evidence based programme (Family Foundations) developed in the US and adapted for the UK.  Research shows couples who have been through the Family Foundations programme benefit.  Compared to other couples, participants have:

* + less post-natal depression
  + better couple relationships
  + warmer and more sensitive parenting by both dads and mums
  + infants who are better able to soothe themselves.

In order to ensure that this resource meets the needs of young mums and dads as well as the professionals who work with them, it will be developed using an action research model over an 18 month to two year period.  This will require input from young people and a range of professional groups.  The Fatherhood Institute would like to hear from any health visitors who might be interested in testing this resource and providing feedback in order to help develop it.  The level of input required is flexible and would depend upon your capacity to be involved.  If you might be interested or would like to find out more information, please contact Mark Osborn on: [m.osborn@fatherhoodinstitute.org](mailto:m.osborn@fatherhoodinstitute.org) 01603 615751

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**Action – NICE Guidance - Social and Emotional Wellbeing for Children and Young People Overview**

Please see updated (24.10.12) guidance from the National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence. The guidance represents the view of NICE after careful consideration of the evidence available. Those working in the NHS, local authorities, etc. should take it into account when carrying out their professional, managerial or voluntary duties. Implementation of this guidance is the responsibility of local commissioners and/or providers. Commissioners and providers are reminded that it is their responsibility to implement the guidance, in their local context.



For those of you who are not currently aware of the Chimat website here is the link. <http://www.chimat.org.uk/>

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**Information – Further planned Leadership training for the Healthy Child Programme**

Due to popular demand and we are in the process of building on our HCP leadership programme. This will be by commissioning a programme of masterclasses, action learning sets and coaching for locality manager level and individual coaching for senior leaders of the healthy child programme.

Planning is at an early stage, we welcome your views on this initiative.

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**Information – Building Community Capacity Attendee Log**

Please find attached the completed attendee log for the three Building Community Capacity sessions held at the beginning of October.



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**Reminder – HV Programme Additional Investment, Q2 Outturn Reports**

Please ensure your outturn reports on the additional investment to support training and education are completed and returned using the embedded template.

Deadline for the submission of the Q2 reports to Glyn is Thursday **8th November 2012**. If you are unsure what is required or need additional guidance, please ask.



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**Reminder – Celebration Event 21st November, Stansted Hilton**

Anglia Ruskin University and the County Workforce Groups in Essex and Cambridgeshire and Peterborough are inviting you to attend a special event to celebrate the Health Visiting Programme which is delivered across Essex, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

This is a celebration and opportunity for recently qualified health visitors to promote some of their high quality achievements during the programme, and share with you some of the innovative practice developments that have been made by them. It is also to acknowledge the recent changes to both senior staff at Anglia Ruskin University and also changes in the programme delivery.

Key speakers include Kathy Branson, Head of Education and Development at the EoE Deanery and Health Visiting & Midwifery Workforce Programme Lead for NHS Midlands & East and Professor Sarah Redsell who joins Anglia Ruskin University as Professor of Public Health.

If you would like to book a place or would like any further information, please contact [louise.kitley@eoe.nhs.uk](mailto:louise.kitley@eoe.nhs.uk).

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**Last Reminder - Health Visitor Cluster Conference – 14th November – Leicester**

Thank you for those who have already sent in nominations for the conference, we need names soon as possible so we can send out the invitations. Please find attached a spread sheet for you to complete and sent back to us with your nominations and reserves. Please remember to consider commissioner, managers and partner agencies. **Please reply to** [**glyn.pritchard@eoe.nhs.uk**](mailto:glyn.pritchard@eoe.nhs.uk) **immediately.**

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**Reminder - Case Studies**

The East of England is required to produce at least 10 case studies which tell the story of an innovation, a change or a project related to the delivery of the service vision and family offer.

A discussion at the operations leads meeting on 17th October suggests the following split. This takes into account that EIS organisations are required to produce 2 studies each as part of that programme.

Essex Provider Orgs                  3 studies

CCS (Luton)                               1 study

Sept (Beds)                            1 study

CCS                                           2 studies

Building Community Capacity 1 study

Suffolk                                       2 studies

Guidance is attached. Support will be given to refine the study and the finished studies will be published in a document. **Please complete 1st drafts by Friday 9th November.**

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**Reminder - Midwifery - Health Visiting Pathway Workshops, x3 November Dates 2012**

A series of 3 workshops have been developed in the East of England in collaboration with midwifery and health visiting colleagues.

The purpose is to explore in depth issues around developing pathways between midwifery and health visiting.

The workshops have been arranged at 3 locations across the region (Newmarket, Hatfield and Stansted) at the below dates to bring together leaders and practitioners from both professions.

The events are free and we are hoping to see as many health visitors and health visiting managers as possible. This is a reminder of how to register.

**To register please go to the appropriate event page link below and book yourself a place;**

* **Newmarket Racecourse - 23rd November**

[**http://events.eoe.nhs.uk/all/2358**](http://events.eoe.nhs.uk/all/2358)

* **The Fielder Centre, Hatfield - 26th November**

[**http://events.eoe.nhs.uk/all/2360**](http://events.eoe.nhs.uk/all/2360)

* **Hilton Hotel, Stansted - 29th November**

[**http://events.eoe.nhs.uk/all/2359**](http://events.eoe.nhs.uk/all/2359)

Please note that there are 100 places available for each workshop; we have 50 Health Visitor places and 50 Midwifery places for each and it will be on a first registered basis that places are allocated.



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