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**Action – Spreading the Word more widely – Sharing Practice**

In order to share the good practice that is underway in all our providers we are seeking an article, each week, from our providers on a rota basis which we will share via the HV Weekly News. This will help to ensure that we accelerate the roll out of the new offer and promote the health outcomes achieved by health visitors.

Attached is a rota, starting with ECCH from the 7th February 2013.

Articles of **up to** 200 words highlighting an innovation or area of good practice (including contact details) are to be sent to Sarah Hornby, [HealthVisitorPA@eoe.nhs.uk](mailto:HealthVisitorPA@eoe.nhs.uk) by the Wednesday of each week.



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**Action – Recruitment Return**

We will be commencing regular returns regarding your recruitment into student places as in previous years. Initially these will be monthly changing to weekly from June 2013. Helen Shaw will distribute the spread sheet for completion.

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**Information – Twitter Account Now Live**

The East of England Programme Team is now on Twitter. Follow us on [www.twitter.com](http://www.twitter.com) East of Eng HV Prog.  
  
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**Information – New National Service Specification**

In support of the new national service specification for health visiting services, which will be rolled out from April 2013, DH have produced a schedule of the universal elements of the Healthy Child Programme (HCP) detailing how the different parts of the workforce deliver the HCP, as commissioned by the National Commissioning Board through the Section 7a agreement with DH, <http://www.dh.gov.uk/health/2012/11/sector-7a/>.

In addition we have embedded an update from the Future Delivery Board to explain how the new commissioning arrangements will be structured.



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**Information & Action – Update - Healthy Child Programme Data Return**

Following further work on the data collection template, the next submission will use a slightly revised spread sheet, e.g. obesity data has been dropped. We are currently awaiting the next submission date from DH and the revised data spread sheet.

We have to collate all the returns from East of England, East and West Midlands so we will give you a deadline of 1 week prior to that date when it is confirmed. On the first submission, the East of England was one of the few regions to make a full and complete return, well done to all those involved.

All operational leads – we would like share the data at the Operational Leads meetings. Please contact Glyn to let us know if you are content to share your data with the other leads, we aim to do it anonymously.

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**Information – Poster Distribution – Programme Publicity**

The posters that were created as part of the evaluation of the Cluster Conference in November are being distributed for local use on the basis of the Workforce Partnership Groups. They are in rolls of 12 x A1 (big). We will retain some in the Programme office for staff to access. Those sent out already are with,

* Amanda Wagg – Norfolk, Suffolk and ECCH
* Julia McLean – Cambridge and Peterborough

We will also lodge a set with each of, 1. Essex and 2. Beds, Herts and Luton.

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**Information – Support Resource for Health Visitor Students**

We have received information about a new resource produced to help students to signpost families to services in the voluntary and community sector.

Family Lives worked with the CPHVA and Netmums to create a signposting resource. The free guide gives a list of services and organisations that can help families. From general support about family issues to specific health conditions and information on services, the guide is available to download.

<http://familylives.org.uk/docs/family_lives_health_visitor_resource_ord_final.pdf>

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**Reminder – Operational Leads – Training on Project Planning for ‘A Call to Action’, Wednesday 13th February 2013**

At the next Operational Leads’ meeting on Wednesday 13th February at CPC1, Steve Macro from SUSTAIN will be facilitating a session to assist with developing and refining action plans. This training is being offered as a direct result of identified need through the rapid appraisal process.

The agenda for the meeting will follow shortly and will take place between 10.30 – 3.30 with the training taking place in the afternoon.

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**Reminder - Leadership Training – Phase 1**

Places have now been confirmed for all venues which are fully booked. Could all delegates that have received confirmations let us know if for any reason your circumstances change and you are unable to make the date so we can fill your place as soon as possible as we have a waiting list.

Please note that hotel bookings will need to be booked and settled by your organisations.

Please contact Sarah Hornby, [healthvisitorpa@eoe.nhs.uk](mailto:healthvisitorpa@eoe.nhs.uk).

**Promotional Guide Training**

Places for this training have been confirmed. Please contact Sarah Hornby, [healthvisitorpa@eoe.nhs.uk](mailto:healthvisitorpa@eoe.nhs.uk) if you have any queries or need any further information.

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