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| Health Visitor Programme - Weekly News |

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**Information – Useful Publications for Health Visitors**

The link below gives access to a number of useful publications to health visitors on the DH site including.

* Pathways with Midwifery and School Nursing.
* Practice Teacher Framework
* Health Visitor Framework for the First two years

And many others

<http://www.dh.gov.uk/health/2012/11/useful-pubs-health/>

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**Information and Action – Keeping Colleagues up to Date with Progress and Good Practice**

Some staff have asked to use the Weekly News to publicise events and any new or interesting practice. We welcome any contributions, all you need to do is contact Sarah before Thursday afternoon, we gladly help you in any way we can. HealthVisitorPA@eoe.nhs.uk Supporting Communities of Practice via information sharing.

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**Information – Leadership Training Confirmation of Places**

We have had a great response to the Leadership Training and we will be circulating confirmed places and joining instruction for the January dates by the end of next week.

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**Reminder – Data Returns, Healthy Child Programme**

National data collection to measure progress of the HCP has arrived. The attached template collects information on antenatal contacts, new birth visits between 10-14 days, breastfeeding at 6-8 weeks, uptake of 2 – 2½ year assessments and childhood obesity. It is likely to increase to include more factors later. Those of you that are EIS will now be familiar with this type of request for data.

You will see that the data is quarterly but will be a monthly submission to allow for refining of data over time. So you should be able to complete Q1 and 2 and possibly some data for October in Q3.

The first data submission is due into the DH on 7th December. Therefore please can we have your first submission by Friday 30th November to allow us time to collate the data.  Please send to myself, Sarah – healthvisitorPA@eoe.nhs.uk or Glyn.  glyn.pritchard@nhs.net



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**Reminder - 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 i.e. 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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**Reminder – All – Nominations for Regional HV Communities of Practice Workshop 11th December**

This workshop will launch our Communities of Practice in the East of England and will be an exciting opportunity to learn and share good practice. Open to all members of the Health Visiting Team. Please send all your nominations to glyn.pritchard@nhs.net. Flyer attached.



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

We are still chasing responses to requests for speakers at the RCN recruitment event. Glyn will be following up with phone calls this week to providers.

* 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)

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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