



# Stakeholder Bulletin *24 February 2025*

## Latest Updates

Blood pressure checks in the workplace to help detect people at risk of stroke or heart attacks



Humber and North Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership, working collaboratively with Humber Local Pharmaceutical Committee (LPC), are rolling out free blood pressure checks to workplaces across Humber and North Yorkshire.

High blood pressure, also known as hypertension, is often called the “silent killer” because it usually doesn’t have any symptoms and can cause serious health problems, including heart disease, stroke, kidney disease, and vision loss.

The only way to know if you have high blood pressure is to get it checked regularly. Through the Health and Care Partnership’s [Working Voices](#) initiative, pharmacy teams are being invited in to workplaces to check people’s blood pressure.

[Click here](#) to read more.

## Report explores VCSE Community Transport provision across Humber and North Yorkshire



A report, commissioned by the [Humber and North Yorkshire VCSE Collaborative](#), has been published to support a greater understanding of community transport provision across Humber and North Yorkshire.

[Humber and Wolds Rural Action](#), [Hambleton Community Action](#) and East Yorkshire Community Transport, who provide community transport services, produced the report which highlights what services are being delivered, the capacity and demand on these services, and the opportunities for future growth and connectivity.

A key pressure highlighted in the report refers to previous changes in the prioritisation of criteria for patient transport. This has resulted in a notable increase in demand for community transport by patients who struggle to attend medical appointments due to lack of transport. Any changes in criteria for transport has an impact on community transport organisations, who people turn to for support.

As of 1 April 2025, there will be further changes to the national NHS England criteria to achieve a consistent approach. Due to this piece of work to map community transport across Humber and North Yorkshire, organisations will work alongside health colleagues to fully understand the impact.

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## Get Involved

Survey: Improve diabetes care



NHS Humber and North Yorkshire Integrated Care Board want to hear from patients living with diabetes and how together we can improve diabetes care.

The survey only takes five minutes to complete and, with your feedback, the local NHS will have a better understanding of what is important to patients to help with their diabetes care.

[Click here](#) to complete the survey. If you require this survey in an alternative format (including large print or alternative languages) or need additional support, please contact [hcvcommunitycollab.pmo@nhs.net](mailto:hcvcommunitycollab.pmo@nhs.net).

The closing date for this survey is **Friday 7 March 2025**.

[Webinar: Measuring Benefits and Impacts of Innovation](#)



**Tuesday 1 April 2025, 11:00am-12:00pm**

As a part of the Health Innovation Network's Innovation Insights series, this webinar explores the fascinating and sometimes challenging subject of measuring the benefits and impacts of innovation in health and care.

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The webinar is open to everyone, but it will be of particular interest to anyone interested in change within the health and care system.

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## News from Across the Partnership

[Patients urged to bring their own medication to hospital](#)



It's been revealed a quarter of medicines dispensed by hospital pharmacies at NHS Humber Health Partnership are for medication patients are already taking before they arrive for treatment.

The Partnership runs the Diana, Princess of Wales Hospital in Grimsby, Scunthorpe General Hospital, Goole and District Hospital, Hull Royal Infirmary and Castle Hill Hospital.

Patients packing a bag for a planned hospital stay are being urged to include any current medications and prescriptions. Other items patients are encouraged to bring with them include toiletries, hearing aids, glasses, nightwear, emergency contact details and books or magazines.

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## Patients to play pivotal role in improving quality of care



Patients will play a key role in a new accreditation programme rolling out across NHS Humber Health Partnership.

A commitment to excellence (ACE), which starts in March, will set high standards for patients receiving treatment at Castle Hill, Goole, Grimsby, Hull and Scunthorpe hospitals.

Patients will be asked directly about their experience as part of the scheme which will see wards and departments awarded 'red', 'amber' or 'green' ratings for the quality of care provided.

Areas will be reviewed against a set of key quality standards including infection prevention and control, nutrition and hydration and safeguarding.

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## Sean is going the distance at the TEWV 10k



A senior mental health practitioner, who only started running at the age of 48, is set to take on a new running challenge.

Sean Hornby, now 50, works at Tees, Esk and Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust (TEWV) and says he had "never been sporty at all" until he signed up for a 22-mile running event near his home two years ago.

After joining a running club for support and training advice, he quickly found his feet and signed up for more events, including a marathon that same year.

Sean's now taking on the TEWV 10k – the Trust's very own running event – as part of his training for this year's London Marathon.

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