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Join our Online Discussion – *Community Hospitals & a 7-Day service*

Tuesday 13th September 7pm-8.30pm

Hear about the award-winning case study in Oxfordshire, where the Matrons and managers redesigned the managerial and clinical support to create a 7-day service.

Do join in, and hear from the team.

To register please click on this [link](#)



Save the Date for Future Discussions

Future online discussions at 7pm to hear staff talk about their practice and invite questions:

- ◆ Tuesday 18th October 7pm-8.30pm
- ◆ Wednesday 23rd November 7pm-8.30pm



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2022 Innovation and Best Practice Award Winners

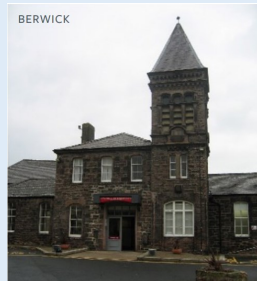
Congratulations to the award winners. We have been so impressed with the innovations, the compassionate care, and the good practice. This year our Awards are drawn from the Case Studies developed as part of our project *“Community Hospitals: Embedding Covid-19 positive impact changes through shared learning.”*

INNOVATION AND BEST PRACTICE AWARD WINNERS ARE:

Hearing Staff Voices

Alnwick and Berwick Community Hospitals
Northumbria Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust

Read more here: [Hearing Staff Voices](#)



Leadership journey to support a 7-day service

Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust

Read more here:

[Leadership journey to support a 7-day service](#)



Advanced Practice Team

Petersfield Community Hospital
Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust

Read more here: [Advanced Practice Team](#)



Creating a Communication Open Door

Robinson Memorial Hospital
Northern Health and Social Care Trust

Read more here: [Creating a Communication Open Door](#)



THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD WINNER IS:

A Pioneering Scheme – Meaningful Activities Coordinator
Anna Mitchell, Launceston Community Hospital
Cornwall Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

You can read more about her work here:

[A Pioneering Scheme – Meaningful Activities Coordinator](#)



Launch of CHA Report September 2022

Our report *“Community Hospitals: Embedding Covid-19 positive impact changes through shared learning”* is due to be launched in September.

Case studies are already being shared on our CHA website and can be downloaded here [Case Studies](#)

Case studies are also shared on the Academy of NHS Fabstuff here [NHS Fabstuff Case Studies](#)



Community Hospitals in Italy



The CHA has been approached by an academic team led by Professor Giovanni Fattore at Bocconi University. The team are advising the Italian Government on its strategy to create 400 community hospitals. We are impressed with the ambition of the strategy. It is hoped that we can learn from each other, given that the UK has had a model of community hospital for 150 years, and Italy is developing this as a new model. Thank you to the staff in community hospitals who have offered to talk to Professor Fattore and team and share their experience and knowledge.

Community Hospitals in the News

Do read about the many developments in community hospitals on our [News](#) page on our website.

Read about the community campaign to retain community hospital beds in **Insch Community Hospital** in Grampian, and the plans to fund a modular ward to accommodate the service to standard.

You can also read about the new hospital that is being built in the Forest of Dean, Gloucestershire.

There is news of more community hospitals being surgical hubs in order to help with the waiting times for surgical procedures as a consequence of the pandemic.



Insch Community Hospital



Malvern Community Hospital

Many more hospitals are featured on our news page including: Crowborough hospital, Finchley hospital, community hospitals in Shropshire and Malvern community hospital. There is also news from Penrith in Cumbria, Hawkhurst in Kent, and Falkirk in Scotland.

There is good news from Rothbury community hospital as they develop a new model of integrated nursing. There is also news from Dene Barton hospital and Ellen Badger community hospital.



Dean Barton Community Hospital



Spotlight on: Evelyn Prodger

Evelyn Prodger RN QN BSc MSc

Chair of the CHA, Quality Improvement Lead, Q Exchange Project Lead.

Evelyn is the Chair of the CHA, and will be holding that position until May 2023. Evelyn has been successfully steering the CHA as we explore all ways of promoting the role and contribution of community hospitals - to patients, communities and whole health systems.

Evelyn leads on Quality Improvement for the CHA. She heads up the CHA Annual National Innovations and Best Practice Award programme. Evelyn and her panel of experts have just published successful award winners. The standard of services and the quality of care is exceptional.

Evelyn leads on the CHA Quality Exchange project which has identified the role of community hospitals during COVID-19. She was successful in attracting a funding from the Health Foundation Q Community for this project which has generated 31 case studies of good practice. Evelyn is leading the dissemination with support from the project team.

In 2017 Evelyn was awarded the Queens Nurse Award. Evelyn is currently the Clinical Services Director at St Michael's Hospice Hastings and Rother.

We are very grateful to Evelyn for the time and energy she puts into the CHA and in particular her contribution to quality improvement and patient care.

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Funding the work of the CHA

The Committee are all volunteers who are passionate supporters of the work done in and by Community Hospitals. While our running costs are extremely low we rely on organisational membership to fund the work we do. If you are a member of a League of Friends or a Community Hospital with good connections to your League of Friends, please think about whether the membership for that hospital could be funded – details of what to do and cost can be found on our website: [join us](#)

Your small financial contribution can help ensure we can continue to support requests for help from Community Hospitals and Leagues of Friends, provide information for Government departments when requested and continue to advocate for the great work being done in and by Community Hospitals and their teams.

Please do join our growing network. There are many benefits in sharing and learning across community hospitals across the UK.



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