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Local news from your local Healthwatch

All the local news and coming events from Healthwatch Rutland - Mid March 2018

Resilient Rutland - Promoting Mental Health and Well-Being in Our Young People

We are seeking a highly motivated individual to help launch the new Resilient Rutland Project. Do you know of anyone who might be interested in this challenge on a short-term basis as a volunteer?

This high-profile project is being led by the Lord-Lieutenant of Rutland, Dr Sarah Furness, and is in response to concern about our young people's mental health.

Our young people have told us that mental health is their highest priority and they want help at an early stage before things get more serious.

While we raise funds to launch the project, we would like to hear from volunteers in the community who might feel able to help get the project off the ground.

If you feel motivated and have skills in managing similar projects please ring Dr Ann Williams, Young People's Lead for Healthwatch Rutland on 01572 717 563 or Email ann.williams1789@gmail.com

To read more about the project [click here](#).

Consultation Regarding the Proposed Closure of Uppingham Surgery's Ketton Branch

Uppingham Surgery are running a public consultation on the proposed closure of Ketton Branch Surgery. Uppingham surgery has added further information, including an update on the consultation, details can be found [here](#).

The surgeries are holding drop in sessions to answer any questions:

Date	Time	Venue
21 st March	9:30am - 10:30am	Barrowden Surgery
16 th April	9:30am - 11:30am	Ketton Surgery
19 th April	4:30pm - 5:30pm	Gretton Surgery

AGE UK Leicestershire & Rutland MacMillan Afternoon Tea

On Thursday 19th April from 2pm - 6pm at The Victoria Hall, High Street, Oakham the public are invited to celebrate the first anniversary of the Age UK-Macmillan befriending service in Rutland. Further details can be found [here](#).

Local Health and Care Commissioners Face Extreme Financial Pressures

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) are expecting a financial deficit of up to £48 million for 2017/18. This is more than three times the £15.5 million deficit previously agreed with NHS England. Find out more about this from our colleagues at Healthwatch Peterborough and Cambridgeshire [here](#).

Have Your Say on the Draft Joint Carers Strategy for LLR

The draft Joint Carers Strategy 2018-2021 sets out a shared vision and priorities for recognising, valuing and supporting carers by Leicester City, Leicestershire County Council, Rutland County Council and the Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) for Leicester City, Leicestershire and Rutland. Partner organisations that have been involved in the development of the strategy include Healthwatch (Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland), Alzheimer's Society, The Carers Centre, Voluntary Action South Leicestershire (VASL) Barnardo's and Age UK Leicestershire. The consultation runs from 28 February to 22 April 2018 and can be found [here](#).

Information from Oakham Medical Practice (OMP) - Patients Participation Group (PPG)

1. Ear Irrigation (syringing) treatment is available again from OMP surgery. Check the Practice website and the PPG pages for details <http://www.omp-ppg.org>
2. The Practice is introducing SMS text messaging to help remind and inform patients of appointments. You have to sign up online (or visit the Practice) for this service. See the Practice web site.

What Are People's Concerns About Proposed Changes to NHS Prescriptions?

Read what people told Healthwatch England about proposed changes to NHS prescriptions, where products that are available to buy over the counter at your local pharmacy (such as sun cream, eye drops and indigestion relief) would be removed from NHS prescriptions. The report can be found [here](#).

Wards Given a Makeover for Patients with Dementia

Wards A9 and B14 at Peterborough City Hospital have undergone a makeover as part of an initiative to improve the hospital environment for patients with Dementia. More details can be found [here](#).

CQC Publish Report on University Hospitals Leicester

The Care Quality Commission have published their latest report on University Hospitals Leicester NHS Trust (UHL). The trust has been rated as 'Requires Improvement' overall. The report can be found [here](#).

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