



News Update

SUBMIT A QUESTION FOR THE EXTRA BOARD MEETING ON 10 AUGUST



OCCG will be holding an Extraordinary Board meeting on 10 August 2017 at the Examinations School, High Street, Oxford (9.30am to 11.30am) when it is expected to make decisions on the outcome of the Big Health and Care Consultation (Phase One of the Oxfordshire Transformation Plan). As part of this, the Board met on 20 June 2017 to receive and consider the consultation reports [see here](#)

For the 10 August meeting, you must submit a question to the Board by 9.30am on 9 August. To find out how to submit a question [click here](#) Members of the Board will do their best to answer these questions during the meeting. However, any questions that remain unanswered at the end of the meeting will be answered in writing and put on the OCCG website within 20 working days. To view the responses to the questions submitted to the 20 June Board meeting [click here](#)

Reminders

BE CLEAR ON CANCER - RESPIRATORY SYMPTOMS CAMPAIGN



OCCG is supporting a campaign to encourage more people aged over 50 to get an earlier diagnosis for possible lung or heart disease. The key messages are:

- If people get out of breath doing things they were able to do, it could be a sign of lung or heart disease, or even cancer – finding a condition early makes it more treatable: don't ignore it, tell your doctor
- If people have had a cough for three weeks or more, it could be a sign of lung disease, including cancer – finding a condition early makes it more treatable: don't ignore it, tell your doctor.

To read about OCCG's support for the campaign [click here](#)

Partnership Information

SHARE YOUR VIEWS ON OPTIONS FOR A STOP SMOKING SERVICE



Oxfordshire County Council has proposed six models for local tobacco cessation services (including the Local Stop Smoking Service) in the county from 1 April 2018. This follows an engagement exercise with local people and other stakeholders about the current Local Stop Smoking Services and wider tobacco control initiatives.

You can take part in a consultation to share your views on the six options, and view a short video to explain the proposals and supporting consultation documents by [clicking here](#)

The consultation closes on Thursday 17 August 2017.

GET INVOLVED IN THE Q COMMUNITY TO IMPROVE HEALTH SERVICES



You can join like minded people via the Q initiative to improve health and care locally. Q is run by the Health Foundation who are creating opportunities for people to come together and form a community – sharing ideas, enhancing skills, and collaborating to make health and care better. For more information and to find out how to join the initiative [click here](#)

TAKE PART IN A SURVEY ON PATIENT INVOLVEMENT IN RESEARCH



Share your views on draft guidelines for involving the public in research. A raft of national standards and indicators have produced by the NHS and you now have the opportunity to comment on them. For more information on how the standards have been developed [click here](#) and to take part in the survey [click here](#) which closes on 1 September.

WATCH A FILM TO KEEP YOUR KIDS LIVE AND KICKING THIS SUMMER



Berkshire East CCGs have produced a video which describes how to keep young children safe in the summer holidays. The film highlights the risks of leaving babies and infants unsupervised near water or open windows, particularly when parents and carers get distracted. To watch the video [click here](#)

ECZEMA - HOW DOES IT MAKE YOU FEEL?



You can take part in discussion on eczema being held at Exeter Hall, Oxford Road, Kidlington OX5 1AB on Saturday 23 September 2017 (11.30am to 5pm). Doctors will be talking about how to manage and treat the condition. For more information on the programme for the day and to reserve a place [click here](#)

GP SURVEY SHOWS PATIENTS ARE POSITIVE ABOUT THEIR DOCTORS



More than 800,000 people responded to the latest GP Patient Survey carried out by NHS England. The results show how people feel about their surgery, with almost 85 per cent rating their experience as good. To view how well your practice was rated [click here](#)

READ THE LATEST NEWSLETTER FROM HEALTHWATCH OXFORDSHIRE



You will find news on its latest activities, including the publication of its survey on people's experiences of using GP services in Oxfordshire, an update on its conference on health inequalities, and the release of its annual report. To read the newsletter [click here](#)

Locality News

PATIENT FORUM MEETINGS BEING HELD IN PUBLIC IN OXFORDSHIRE



We'll keep you updated on future patient participation group meetings that are being held in public that you can take part in to help shape and improve health care.

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