

SPEAKING OPPORTUNITIES

Workforce Special Interest Group Meetings

The Workforce Wellbeing SIG highlights physical and mental workforce wellbeing in all aspects. It is one of our most popular SIGs and meets monthly to plan a whole range of events and reports.

Chairs: Mwamba Bennett (MCIPS, Senior Contracts Manager, Freedom to Speak Up Guardian, Managers in Partnership Union (MiP) Representative, Dudley Integrated Health and Care NHS Trust) and Dr Ivy Glavee (Mentor, Poet, Artist, Author, NHS Clinical Entrepreneur Fellow, Innovative Dental Surgeon, and Founder of Clinician Burnout).

Upcoming Meetings:

Friday 18th November 1pm - Domestic Violence Round Table
Friday 16th December 1pm - Quantified effects of wellbeing programmes (case studies)
Friday 20th January 1pm - How to speak up (assertiveness, observing problems)

Friday 24th Feb 1pm | Friday 24th March 1pm | Friday 21st April 1pm | Friday 26th May 1pm | Friday 23rd June 1pm | Friday 21st July 1pm

Topics of interest: How partnership working between management and unions/ safety reps have improved health and wellbeing – practical examples of best practice.

Mental Health

Our Mental Health SIG is designed for members with an interest or involvement in mental health service provision in health and social care.

Chair: Julie Keith, Performance Manager, Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health Foundation Trust.

Upcoming Meetings:

Friday 27th January 1pm - Round Table: health inequalities report, tackling inequality of access to mental health support

Friday 31st March 1pm - Future use of psychedelics Round Table
Friday 19th May 1pm - Event on and for trainees working in mental health and how they navigate supervision/guidance from superiors.

Friday 7th July 1pm



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Integrated Care

The focus of this SIG is on learning and improving integrated care, by working together, sharing best practice as well as pain points, and generating innovative actions. Formed in late 2020 and in 2021, we have published a green paper and held two online events. Membership is open to all leaders and managers across the full range of health and social care.

Chair: Caroline Southgate (Registered Manager, Managing Director – Doris Jones Care, NICE Fellow).

Upcoming meetings: Friday 4th November 12pm | Friday 13th January 12pm | Friday 10th March 12pm | Friday 12th May 12pm | Friday 14th July 12pm

Topics of interest: Virtual Wards and doing Integrated Care at a local/city level vs a rural perspective.

Dementia and Living With Conditions & Frailty Special Interest Groups

Dementia SIG: This group split from our former Frail, Older Care and Dementia SIG. Our focus is looking at pathways, caring at different stages, how to support and improve dementia throughout, supporting people, diversity, and learning from people with lived experience.

Chair: Donna Little (Advanced Clinical Practitioner at Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust)

Living With Conditions and Frailty SIG: This group also split from our former Frail, Older Care and Dementia SIG. Our focus is looking at the journey of the citizen and improving care for those with lifelong conditions and frailty, learning from people with lived experience, and meeting bi-monthly with the Dementia SIG to debate, discuss, and share resources and learning.

Chairs: Jon Wilks, CEO, IHSCM/ Adam Purnell, Director for Social Care, IHSCM.

Upcoming meetings: Conditions - Thursday 27th October 1pm | Combined - Thursday 24th November 1pm | Dementia - Thursday 15th December 1pm | Living - Thursday 19th Jan | Combined - Thursday 23rd Feb | Dementia - Thursday 23rd March | Living - Thursday 25th May | Combined - Thursday 29th June

Topics of interest: Dementia and Alzheimers, and late stage. Shared experiences from family carers and caring for family members with dementia at home.