

Workforce Development

Independent Sector Newsletter

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Welcome to the August 2011 Newsletter

Nottinghamshire Partnership for Social Care Workforce Development is experiencing some far reaching changes during 2011.

On the 1st April Robert Watts the Partnership's Development Officer left his role, hosted by Nottinghamshire County Council, to move on to face new challenges and develop his own career. He has gone to work for Mars, as their new Training and Development Manager, based in Leeds. We hear he is settling in very well and all wish him well for the future.

It became obvious during 2010 that the local authorities would no longer be able to put new funds into the Nottinghamshire Partnership. The local authorities have been funding free training for Independent Sector care providers for over 6 years, but because of the current economic situation there will be no new funding from these sources from April 2011.

The NPSCWD does have sufficient funds to continue to offer free training until September 2012, but at the AGM on 20th July, at Ransom Wood Hall, the delegates voted for change. The vote gave a mandate to the Management Team to develop the NPSCWD into an independent organisation that would be able to maximise the benefit from the remaining funds, seek new funding opportunities and develop and deliver creative training opportunities for care providers in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire.

Delegates present at the AGM were informed about the new Social Care Employer Forums being run through West Notts College and South Notts College. They were also asked to let the Management Team know whether they would be interested in getting involved in the consultation process and receiving information on the progress being made.

These opportunities are still open and for more information on the Social Care Employer Forums please contact David Wortley at Skills for Care on:

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To get involved in the consultation process for the development of NPSCWD contact Julie Carnelley on:

Direct line: 0115 9774288

Email: Julie.carnelley@nottsc.gov.uk

E-mail addresses, the way forward, and the quickest way to receive information on training from the training section.

Due to budget restrictions, we will no longer be sending information out to care providers by post. So make sure you send us your latest email address.

You can also access the flyer on the Nottinghamshire County Council website at [http://cms.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/wfp_training#nottinghamshire_partnership_for_social_care_development_\(npscwd\)_training](http://cms.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/wfp_training#nottinghamshire_partnership_for_social_care_development_(npscwd)_training)

End of Life Care Training – New Courses!!!

1 day The End of Life Care Pathway – from concept to care

This course is for all social care staff wishing to make a difference to the Eolc they deliver through implementation of the Nottinghamshire Eolc Pathway. Using a real case study experience of Eolc, DVDs, discussion and group work, you will use a person centred approach to learn more about The Gold Standards Framework (GSF), Advance Care Planning (ACP) and communication skills.

Half day Spirituality and Bereavement

This course is for any staff who meet with patients, staff or carers suffering from grief, loss or bereavement – or who want to know what spirituality might mean for them as they struggle with loss. The course will cover topics such as understanding loss, models of grief, spirituality and communication skills.

Half day Graseby MS16A Syringe Driver training

For registered nurses working in Nursing Homes in Nottinghamshire County only-if you are working in a Nottingham City Nursing Home please contact the City Eolc team for information re training for the McKinley T34 syringe Driver. You will learn about the principles of using an Ms16a syringe driver within practice and participate in a practical class room session.

Dementia Training – New Courses!!!

Reducing the inappropriate use of anti psychotic drugs for people with dementia is a priority in England and urgent action is now needed at a local level. Our **positive risk taking** course will help you to consider and understand alternatives to this and other forms of restraint.

Are you the **Dementia Lead** in your organisation? Then come on our one day Better Outcomes for People with Dementia course.

You will receive training and get a resource pack so that you can roll out dementia training in your organisation. In order to access this training you should complete the bespoke dementia e learning course that will give you and your trainees a comprehensive knowledge of dementia.

To access the e learning you need to:

1. Go to www.kwango.com
2. The first time you log in, click on Create an Account (underneath the Username and Password boxes) and fill in the details as requested.
3. Use your first name and surname as your Username
4. Use notts236 in the organisation code box
5. Once you are logged in you need to select your area of work from the drop down list
6. Start the e learning. Try the quiz at the end to see how much you have learnt about dementia.

When the CIS 2010 were launched Skills for Care made a commitment to evaluate the experience of implementation of the CIS 12 months later. We are now interested to hear your feedback on how the CIS are implemented and what any further support needs might be. We would be really grateful if you could complete the questionnaire available at the link below by Friday August 12th

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SfC_Evaluation2010CIS