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Area Board Update November 2017



We want to hear from Wiltshire residents living with long-term conditions

We are looking at the information available for people living with the five most common long-term conditions in Wiltshire. We also want to find out more about the information needs of those living with one of these key conditions, including:



- Heart disease
- Diabetes
- Arthritis
- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disorder
- Mental health issues

The information gathered during the evaluation will help to influence new sets of information on Wiltshire's health and care information website, *Your Care Your Support Wiltshire* and ultimately, to improve the quality and accessibility of information available to those with long term conditions in Wiltshire.

We also want to hear from Wiltshire people who care for someone with a long-term condition.

Get involved by completing an online survey at https://wh.snapsurveys.com/s.asp?k=150160216377

Hard copies can be made available on request. The survey closes on 30 November 2017.

Healthwatch Wiltshire will also be visiting local support groups to talk directly to people living with long term conditions as well as their carers and professionals.

Help us evaluate short information films about long-term conditions

Wiltshire Council and NHS Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group have subscribed to a library of films produced by a company called The Sound Doctor. The films are made by medical staff, and include information about common long-term conditions. They aim to help people learn more about the causes and impacts of these conditions, and advise on ways for people to live with and manage their condition.

These films are available online for Wiltshire people, and include the key long-term conditions listed above. You can access the films at thesounddoctor.org by simply confirming your GP practice.

We want to hear your opinions about the films and whether they are helpful. So after you have watched the films which are of interest to you, please take a few minutes to complete our online survey at https://wh.snapsurveys.com/s.asp?k=150349235839.

Again, hard copies can be made available on request. The survey closes on **27 January 2018**.



Your support Wiltshire

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Healthwatch Wiltshire is a local independent organisation which exists to speak up for people on health and care. If you have used a service recently then we would like to hear from you. We use what people tell us when we meet with the commissioners and providers of services to make sure that they take account of your views and experiences.