

Dear colleague,

Have your say on the future of the NHS

Shropshire and Telford and Wrekin Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) are calling on patients, the public, staff and a range of stakeholders to join in a discussion about the future of the NHS, so it can plan how best to deliver services, now and in the years ahead. This 'Call to Action' is part of a national debate led by NHS England.

Get involved

Over the next month we will be attending existing meetings with voluntary groups and the public to gather comments and experiences.

People can also go online and **fill in our survey** by visiting either www.telfordccg.nhs.uk or www.shropshireccg.nhs.uk If you require a paper copy please visit our websites or contact us at calltoaction@telfordccg.nhs.uk or by calling 01952 580478.

We would like to encourage you, your staff and networks to attend our '**Call to Action' Conference** being held at the Telford International Centre on **Monday 25 November 2013**. The event will be full day (potentially commencing 10.00am to 10.30am until 4.00pm).

The NHS needs to be able to deal with challenges ahead, such as an ageing population, a rise in the number of people with long-term conditions, lifestyle risk factors in the young and greater public expectations. Combined with rising costs and constrained financial resources, these trends threaten the long-term sustainability of the health service.

The CCGs will set out at the conference the facts about the challenges facing local NHS services in Shropshire and Telford and Wrekin and share the feedback we will have gathered from the 'Call to Action' responses we receive over the next few weeks. We would like to stress that this 'Call to Action' is about the local NHS as a whole and not just hospital services. You will then have the opportunity in a range of seminars, to have your say and discuss the future of the NHS and what is most important to you and why, which will help us to plan and improve services.

This is your chance to join in the discussion and ensure that your experiences and views are captured. The more ideas we have on the future of the NHS, the better the service will become.

We will let you have the full conference programme and details of how to register in the near future. In the meantime, **please save the date in your diary and visit our online survey.**

Please help us to reach as many people as possible, by forwarding this information to your networks. If you have any questions or suggestions please contact us at calltoaction@telfordccg.nhs.uk

Yours faithfully

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David Evans
Chief Officer
Telford and Wrekin CCG

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Caron Morton
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