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Happy New Year...

Welcome to the first edition, this year, of Commissioner News.

It's great to know that we are well on the way to Spring and certainly here in Warwick so far, seem to have missed the extreme weather we saw last year and have daffodils in flower already!

We are surrounded by technology in our daily lives and whilst for some of us this can be a constant challenge, it undoubtedly offers huge opportunities both in learning and patient care.

In this newsletter we have lots of exciting news about innovations in learning technology which will benefit both our students and the patients they manage.

You'll also find important information around the recent cash injection for CCGs and how it can be spent on post-registration education for your workforce to improve patient services (focusing on whichever disease area is highest priority in your area). The great news is that we can help support you in writing your bid, marketing the educational component of your bid on award of funding, recruitment and allocation of healthcare professionals onto courses and effective evaluation and reporting of the educational intervention.

Lastly, we have included in this edition, dates for all the courses we have planned for 2012. (Don't forget that as well as the courses mentioned here we also offer courses across the UK and Ireland, aimed at meeting the specific needs of your Primary Care Trust, Local Health Board, acute care or other organisation). So, if you are thinking about commissioning training for your team in your local area, call either:

Kate tel: 01926 838978 (NHS Midlands & East and Northern Ireland**)**

Sue tel: 01926 836999 (NHS North of England and Scotland)

or myself tel: 07794 433896 (NHS South of England, NHS London and Wales).

Best wishes,

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We were advised last week that the cash injection for CCGs to improve patient services and reduce winter pressures can be spent on workforce education and training.

You should recently have received our mailing where we were delighted to be able to offer support with the writing of your bid for post-registration education and support you to immediately impact on unplanned admissions rates by delivering whichever chronic disesae education is highest priority in your area.*

The timelines are very short but we would be delighted to discuss this opportunity further with you either by contacting Candy Perry or or Monica Fletcher:

Candy Perry, Director of Development on 01926 836995 or c.perry@educationforhealth.org

Monica Fletcher, Chief Executive on 01926836841 or m.fletcher@educationforhealth.org

* E.G **Reducing unplanned admissions in the frail elderly - improving coordination and management of patients with complex needs,** a one day interactive course which aligns multiprofessional staff along a care pathway or Cardio-Respiratory Symptoms: Assessment and Diagnosis - **management and referral of the acutely breathless patient** which is a 6 month degree level course

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Lodged Fund Service

We would like to introduce our Lodged Fund Service that has been designed to protect any flexibility you may have in your budget at year end.

Lodged Funds means placing funds now with Education for Health that you can spend in the future on high quality professional education which will support your local priorities.

If you would like to find out more, or discuss how we can meet your particular requirements, please contact one of our customer accounts team:

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Sue Bailey, tel: 01926 836999 or email: s.bailey@educationforhealth.org

Experience our world of eLearning - more taster sessions available

We know time is precious and that often it's hard to get your workforce to our HQ at Warwick for training - did you know that we've redeveloped our learning materials especially for online use so that your workforce can benefit from a much more flexible learning experience. Packed with advanced eLearning features like video, audio, animation and illustrations (as well as real patient case studies) our materials really support learning to be implemented into practice. Students can even 'try out' many of our accredited eLearning courses for free with our taster sessions...

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We still have availability on some of our courses which are starting soon. Courses can be taken as part of a degree, diploma or as standalone modules - but they must be booked now! The updated list of the courses can be down downloaded directly from our website.

which equips healthcare professionals with the skills and competences to assess, investigate, diagnose and refer patients thereby supporting early intervention and reducing inappropriate admissions.

New 2012 prospectus now available!

We are delighted to announce that the latest edition of our prospectus is now availble and can be viewed online them via our website. Now with even more of an eLearning focus, this edition includes details of all our new courses as well as the latest on training in your area. We have even included our Quick Response (QR) code to make it even easier for you to visit our website via your smart phone, when you're out and about!

Welcome support for the future of high quality education and training

As part of its on-going NHS consultation, the government commissioned the NHS Future Forum, an independent body of health experts, to report on education and training, information and public health. Earlier ths week the government accepted the Future Forum's recommendations.

Monica Fletcher, Education for Health's Chief Executive, said today of the report: *"For us as a health education charity the recommendations are hugely exciting and reflect many of the beliefs we have held for many years. Two points in particular represent, to us, a considerable step forward".*

Depression in a COPD patient - new case study to assist your team in managing consulations better

Quality of life issues are extremely important in long term conditions. Depression is known to be more common in people with long term conditions but may go undiagnosed. We are therefore pleased to add this important case study to our website.

Help your team to lead the fight against asthma - new mobile phone 'app'!

With the use of mobile smart phones and apps increasingly becoming a part of everyday life,

Embracing Social Media

Here at Education for Health, we are always looking to improve the means by which we communicate, facilitating better conversations with our education commissioners and allowing us to campaign on the issues that matter.

To support us in our communications we are now active on both Facebook and Twitter, and we recently hosted our first Twitter chat. The event was a great success and we hope to hold more soon where we can discuss the issues that matter to you.

Join Education for Health using our online communications at www.educationforhealth.org or like us on Facebook via http://tinyurl.com/EdforhealthFB or follow us on Twitter for regular news and updates at http://tinyurl.com/Edforhealth

We want to stay connected with you, so make sure you're following our Tweets via @edforhealth. Come and have a look at what we're up to....

Facebook - we've got 46 'Likes' already, do you 'Like' us too?

Since the launch of our Facebook page at the end of last year we've had 46 'Likes'. We're delighted to already have supporters following the page who are keeping up to date with our latest courses, campaigns and events. Maybe you could click 'Like' if you're a fan too?

Education for Health have welcomed the launch of MyAsthma app. This app aims to empower asthma patients, allowing them to better understand their condition and address the personal barriers they face in managing their asthma.

This app can generate tailored messages and will facilitate more informed dialogue between patients and healthcare professionals.

"MyAsthma app is a really exciting step towards better management of asthma and towards improving quality of life in those who live with this condition" said Monica Fletcher, Chief Executive at Education for Health.

Latest news on an upcoming event we're supporting

RCN Education Forum Conference and Exhibition, Harrogate

This conference, which runs from 23-24th February celebrates best practice and brings together all those working and interested in education and research. Look out for our Clinical Lead, Ruth Westerby who will be presenting an inspiring poster at this event.

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