

## Working together to enhance health in care homes

### Care homes urged to have their say

CARE homes are being encouraged to join us for an engagement event later this month. It will provide an opportunity to share feedback with partners from across the vanguard about how the telehealth hub is being used to improve care to residents – and explore other benefits it may be able to deliver.

### Airedale and Partners Care Home Vanguard (telemedicine) needs you!

As many of you will be aware the Care Home Vanguard is a collaboration between the local NHS, the CCG's, GPs, Social Services and of course all our Care Homes and as care home you are an essential part of the health and social care community, serving a total population of half a million of our fellow citizens, in Bradford, Airedale and East Lancashire.

We know that the quality of the care you provide is highly dependent on the commitment of your staff who work 24 hours a day seven days a week caring for our frail and vulnerable older people and we hope that the tele hub that is being provided as part of the Airedale and Partners Care Home Vanguard is playing a key role in helping you to do this.

We would like to invite you to an engagement event on the **16th June 2016** at:

***The Craiglands Hotel***

Cowpasture Road, Ilkley, West Yorkshire LS29 8RQ.

***The event will run from 8.30 to 1.30 pm, lunch and refreshments will be provided.***



The event will provide you with an opportunity to share with partners across the Vanguard share how you are using the telehealth hub to improve the care provided to their residents and also explore how together you might support one another to use the technology to further support patient care and reduce opportunity costs such as travel time. We would also like to provide you



with an opportunity to consider if and how the tele hub technology could be used to support staff development and supervision.

An agenda will follow nearer the time, but in the meantime I would be grateful if you could confirm your attendance by emailing Nelam Gill on [Nelam.Gill@bdct.nhs.uk](mailto:Nelam.Gill@bdct.nhs.uk). Please note numbers will be limited to no more than 100 people due to the size of the venue so an early response would ensure that you are able to attend the event.

We would like as many Care Homes to be represented at the events. Please feel free to nominate a member of your staff to attend one of the events. All that we would ask is that they are able to fully represent the views of your organisation and that they have a good understanding of the tele hub and how it is currently being used within your organisation and have views on how this could be extended overtime.

Many thanks and I look forward to meeting you on the 16th June 2016.

Fiona Sherburn