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A letter was circulated on Tuesday outlining the changes in more detail and you can view that [**here.**](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I0A94-1/c.aspx)  For any queries and information please contact Helen West at [helen.west16@nhs.net](mailto:helen.west16@nhs.net)    **Launch of the new Op Courage Warm Welcome Afghan service-mental health support**  Please find below information regarding the launch of the new support service available to Afghan nationals.  Launch of the new **Op Courage Warm Welcome Afghan service.**  This is dedicated to providing access to mental health assessment, advocacy and support for Afghan nationals living anywhere in England who have previously worked in Afghanistan to assist the British Armed Forces or other British government departments between Oct 2001- August 2021.  Eligibility criteria  1.       People who have come to Britain under the Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy (ARAP)  [Afghan Relocations and Assistance Policy: further information on eligibility criteria, offer details and how to apply - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00V6-1/c.aspx)  2.       People who have come to Britain and have, at some point since 1 October 2001:  a.       been directly employed by the British Government or contracted to provide linguistic services. Examples of such roles are patrol interpreters, cultural advisors, certain embassy corporate services, and development, political and counter-terrorism jobs, among others. This is not an exhaustive list.  b.       provided goods or services in Afghanistan under contract to Her Majesty's Government, or worked in Afghanistan alongside a British government department, in partnership with or closely supporting that department, and in the course of those services contributed to the UK’s military objectives or national security objectives (which includes counter-terrorism, counter-narcotics and anti-corruption objectives) with respect to Afghanistan; and because of that employment or work or provision of services, the person were at an elevated risk of targeted attacks and at a high risk of death or serious injury.  This would include, for example, soldiers from the Afghan National Army and Afghan police.  How to refer?  They accept self-referrals from across England or referrals by professionals or carers. The referral form can be found online on our [website](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00UY-1/c.aspx) or by clicking on this link: [**referral form**](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00V3-1/c.aspx).  If you have questions about a referral, please contact us by email on [afghanservice@candi.nhs.uk](mailto:afghanservice@candi.nhs.uk) or phone on 0203 317 7979.  You can also visit our website for more information about the service, and other sources of support: [https://www.veteransservicelse.nhs.uk/afghanservice](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00UY-1/c.aspx)      **Ebola alert - to be shared with Primary Care**  Please share the [link](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I01UT-1/c.aspx) below with primary care colleagues:      **GP practice patient communications toolkit - October 2022**  Winter is traditionally a busy time for the NHS.  To help your patients get the service they need, the following document contains words and images for your website, social media accounts and text message ideas to help you run your practice. Please see [attached](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00V7-1/c.aspx)  [comms toolkit](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00V7-1/c.aspx) |  |  | | --- | | Training, events & surveys    **Adult Social Care – Find out more and have your say event for patients in Coventry** On Thursday 10th November there is a public event for Coventry residents to attend, and anyone interested in finding out more about what Adult Social Care does, how we work and the opportunity to speak to various different supporting partners across the city.  The event will have representation from Social Workers, Case Managers, Financial Assessment Advisors (paying for care) Carers Trust Heart of England, Telecare, Occupational Therapy, Safeguarding, Direct Payments and many more….  It’s a chance to get to know the teams, have a cup of tea and have a chat with staff.  It would be valued if you could share the event across your organisation, promote on any platforms you have and with any people who might find it beneficial and please pop along if you have the time.  Please see [flyer attached](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00V8-1/c.aspx)  **Coventry & Warwickshire Creative Health Alliance - Arts for Health event  Coventry and Warwickshire Creative Health Alliance (CWCHA)**  **Development and Networking Day 2022** Friday 18th November 2022, 9.30pm - 5.00pm Coventry Transport Museum, Millennium Place, Hales St, Coventry CV1 1JD  Do you work and/or deliver activities and projects in creative health, arts and health and/or arts for wellbeing in Coventry and Warwickshire?  Join the Coventry and Warwickshire Creative Health Alliance (CWCHA) for this one-day event to explore the past, present and future of the alliance alongside workshops and sharing sessions focusing on:  ·  Introducing the creative health sector in Coventry and Warwickshire;  ·  Evaluating creative health activities and projects;  ·  Children, young people and families;  ·  Nature, outdoor and green spaces;  ·  Movement and mindfulness.  This event is an opportunity to bring together champions and advocates of creative health to shape and drive forward this important agenda in the region.  We acknowledge the day as part of ['Self Care Week'](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00UZ-1/c.aspx) - an annual national awareness week that focuses on embedding support for self care across communities, families and generations, where 'Exercise Self Care for Life' is the theme for 2022.  **To RSVP for the event, please complete the registration survey by close of business on Monday 14th November 2022. This should take a maximum of 10 minutes to complete >>>**[https://forms.office.com/r/q3TyvhDSka](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00V4-1/c.aspx)  For those who cannot attend on the day, there may be an opportunity to participate in an online session at a later date. Furthermore, if you are a Midlands based freelancer working in the field of arts and health, and would like to join but would experience financial and time based barriers to participate, please get in touch to discuss support we can offer.  Katy Hawkins, Arts Officer, Heritage & Culture, Warwickshire County Council: [katyhawkins@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:katyhawkins@warwickshire.gov.uk)  **Detection and management of perinatal mental illness in new parents - Online event Tuesday 22 November, 19:30 – 20:30** An essential local perinatal mental health update for all doctors and nurses working in primary care within Coventry and Warwickshire. [**Click here to register.**](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00V1-1/c.aspx)  Newsletters  **Autism Stakeholder Newsletter - Autumn 2022**  Welcome to the new quarterly Autism and neurodevelopment stakeholder newsletter for Coventry and Warwickshire.  [**Download the whole Autumn 2022 Autism newsletter here**](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00V0-1/c.aspx)  Please do share with your staff and your networks.  If you have anything you would like to include in future Autism and neurodevelopment newsletters, please email [caroline.button2@covwarkpt.nhs.uk](mailto:caroline.button2@covwarkpt.nhs.uk)  **Rise Stakeholder Newsletter - Autumn 2022** Coventry and Warwickshire Rise, the mental health service for children and young people, are pleased to send you their latest newsletter.  [**Read the full newsletter here**](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00V5-1/c.aspx)and please do share with your networks.  We hope you enjoy reading the latest updates from CW Rise.  For further information and previous newsletters, please visit [www.cwrise.com](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00V2-1/c.aspx)  There is a link on the image to the full document on the Rise website at: [https://cwrise.com/download.cfm?doc=docm93jijm4n6774.pdf&ver=9181](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00V5-1/c.aspx)  **Wellbeing Wednesday - 12th October** The Training Hub Wellbeing Wednesday article has just been published, the link to it is just below.  [Wellbeing Wednesday: 12th October 2022 - Coventry & Warwickshire Training Hub (cwtraininghub.co.uk)](https://cwicb.net/5ECH-NNP9-3W4C1S-I00UW-1/c.aspx)  Vacancies None to report | | | |