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Updates from the Sub Groups

National Education Board for Scotland (NES) is currently working with the Development Sites and other areas across Scotland with regard to initial input to the capability framework to inform a second draft which will be consulted upon across Scotland during July and August. The purpose of these half day events is to engage with practitioners, lead nurses and nurse directors to inform the development of the framework.

Look out for further information with regard to the educational initiatives on the NES website at www.nes.scot.nhs.uk in the near future.

The workforce and workload sub group continue to progress with the development of a core data set to gather information on the baseline staffing ratios. This information will be collated and fed into the evaluation sub group.

Work is progressing in the evaluation sub group looking at the tendering process for independent evaluation of the service model.

News Round

Development Sites

The following Project Managers were recently appointed:

- ✚ Caroline Hay, NHS Tayside
- ✚ Angie Henney, NHS Borders
- ✚ Fiona Sharples NHS Highland (commences 16th July)
- ✚ Alison Jarvis, NHS Lothian

The Development sites are making real progress in a variety of work streams which will be linked into the local and national project plan. Here is a flavour of some of things that are going on.

NHS Borders:

Developed a staff engagement plan encompassing a series of road shows and visioning workshops looking at the 'Day in the Life of a CHN'.

NHS Highland

Have been progressing with a series of staff events looking at the role of the CHN and the capability framework. This work has been done in partnership with the CPHVA.

NHS Lothian

Have set up 2 short life working groups. One is exploring the role of the CHN and the other is considering the care of vulnerable families with complex needs and child protection

NHS Tayside

Have been holding a series of Development events over the last month for the steering group, lead nurses and managers. An event for front line staff will be hosted by staff side colleagues in July.

Out and About

What's been happening and where?

Lesley Summerhill (Chair of the National Programme Board) has recently been out and about visiting staff. This has proved to be very productive and Lesley plans more visits across Scotland throughout the year.

Congratulations to NHS Ayrshire and Arran on a very successful conference which was held in May. Jane Walker (Project Manager) and Susan O'Rourke (Project Officer) were invited to participate and gave presentations on the service model and the current position. In the afternoon a series of workshops were held to engage staff. The outputs from visioning 'the role of the Community Health Nurse' will feed into Susan O'Rourke's national paper.



In June, an event (pictured) was organised for all Lead Nurses across Scotland which was facilitated by Quarto Management consultants. The aim of the event was to develop the thinking around the leadership requirements in terms of the management of change. We would like to extend our thanks to all Lead Nurses who were able to participate. The feedback has been very positive and we plan to have further events in the near future.

Your ideas- Public Engagement

There is public representation in each of the steering groups and the Programme Board are very keen that we look at ways to engage members of the public as much as possible. We would be very interested in your ideas on how we engage the public, especially hard to reach groups. It may be that you have been involved in some innovative ways of doing this particularly around service changes. So any ideas for good practice would be very welcome!

The Role of the CHN

Through a number of forums work is ongoing in 'visioning' the role of the CHN. This provides the opportunity for staff to be truly engaged in visioning the role. Over the last few weeks this work has been undertaken in a variety of forums in the development sites and in some non development sites. This is work in progress at this stage. All the information from this and any further work done around it will be sent to Susan O'Rourke who will collate it. Information on this will be updated through the newsletter. So keep us posted!



Lesley Summerhill (Chair of the National Programme Board) addresses the June event.

We are delighted to hear that staff across Scotland are very keen to be kept up to date with what is happening in the Development Sites. However, we were disappointed to hear that some staff had not had the opportunity to access the 1st edition of the newsletter. To address this we will arrange for the newsletter to be circulated to Nurse Directors across Scotland, Lead Nurses in CHP's and through partnership organisations. The newsletters can also be accessed at <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Health/NHS-Scotland/nursing/review/Newsletters>