

## GP Volunteers Needed

Mindful of the changes afoot in the NHS, with transformation of the delivery of healthcare and increased collaborative working in the community, Southampton City CCG is working with the Clinical Directorate at UHS, towards promoting greater integration of primary and secondary care.

We are looking for GP volunteers who would be willing to host a consultant for half a day in the GP surgery, and subsequently to attend a reciprocal half day visit in the hospital.

Whilst there is no payment or provision of locum cover to facilitate this opportunity, we will be providing some guidance about the structure of the visits which should prove to be educational and contribute to annual GP Appraisal. We will be specifically investigating the opportunities and challenges which may emerge from the liaison, and trying to identify possible training needs to benefit to yourselves as future providers of healthcare, as well as the wider community.

We will ensure that any patient confidentiality issues and governance issues are considered beforehand, but at this stage we are looking for expressions of interest in order to plan the scheme.

If you are interested and think you may be able to host a consultant colleague in your surgery during the Oct-Dec 2017 period then please let Kristin Chirica know on [Kristin.chirica@nhs.net](mailto:Kristin.chirica@nhs.net) or 023 80295506.

Once we hear back from you, we will then send you the name of the consultant you have been matched with by the end of September, along with a suggested letter you may choose to offer your patients who are being seen jointly on the day and an optional reflective learning template and leave it to you to make contact directly and arrange the visits.

The plan is for you to arrange both visits before the 31 December 2017 if you can, so that we can organise an optional evening meeting in the New Year to celebrate and share our learning experiences.

Thank you for your support in the scheme and look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes,



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