

WACA PPG May Newsletter

General Update

- PPG Awareness Week is next week 3rd - 9th June, we will be running some activity on the WACA social media pages to promote PPG's but if you have any specific activity that you would like us to promote, please send it through to us
- If you can share with me your PPG contact email address we can add this to some content that we will be posting to help raise awareness and improve recruitment.
- If your PPG is a member of <https://napp.org.uk/> and you find the membership useful, please do let us know - we have made enquiries about a PCN membership that may allow us to access resources so we will update you when we hear back.
- West Yorkshire Voice (includes Craven) are running a survey about 'What Matters In Healthcare' - there is more information on the attached newsletter but the link to complete the Survey is <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PZS99HL>
- We are building resource and support content pages to the WACA website, including pages for Learning Disabilities and Menopause Support, these can all be accessed via the home page and we would encourage patients to visit them at <https://www.wacalliance.co.uk/>
- Grange Park Surgery have had a visit from Wes Streeting and Anna Dixon this week - which has featured on the cover of The Guardian - <https://www.theguardian.com/politics/article/2024/may/28/labour-pledges-to-clear-nhs-waiting-list-backlog-in-england-in-five-years>
- The 'Mental Health Transformation Programme' One Year of Innovation Event went really well and gave a great opportunity for primary care, the VCS sector and commissioners to discuss what was working well and how the service could evolve in the future <https://www.wacalliance.co.uk/latest-news.ht>

Craven Update:

- Attached are some leaflets from Dementia Forward on the support groups and services available in Craven that we have been asked to share
- The monthly peer support Stroke and Osteoporosis support groups continue to run at Dyneley House, more information on dates and guest speakers can be found at <https://www.wacalliance.co.uk/our-projects/peer-support-groups.html>

Airedale and Wharfedale Updates:

- The monthly menopause Peer Support group at Springs Medical Centre will be running on Thursday June 6th and places can be booked at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/menopause-peer-support-talk-tickets-903080135997?aff=erelexpmlt>

- We are continuing with our monthly social prescribing drop-in clinics at Highfield Community Centre, Keighley, with the next one being held on Monday June 17th from 1pm-2.30pm

Next Online WACA Patient Network Meeting is July 10th 2-3pm

We are having a short presentation from Airedale Hospital on the development plans with an opportunity for Q&A's but if you have anything you would like to see on the agenda, please let me know.