



Telecare LIN

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October 2016 Newsletter

Welcome

Welcome to the October 2016 newsletter from the Telecare Learning and Improvement Network.

Our news service has been available since October 2005. Our Housing LIN and Telecare LIN membership database exceeds 40,000 people from around the world.

From January 2016 we are now back with a monthly Telecare LIN roundup as well as maintaining weekly headlines together with daily news via Twitter (follow @clarkmike and #TLINnews).

As in the past, we will be continuing to bring you an extensive curated coverage of digital health and technology enabled care references from the UK and around the world including telehealth, telecare, mobile health, telemedicine, ehealth, smart home technologies and Internet of Things. We will also be including more in the future on health informatics (including electronic health and care records), big data, artificial intelligence as well as health and care robotics.

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1 Main News Items

1.1 International Technology Enabled Care Conference – 18/19 October 2016

The Technology Enabled Care conference, attended by over 700 people, was opened by [Molly Watt](#) who was diagnosed with Usher Syndrome at 12 years old. She was registered legally blind/deafblind at just 14 years old.

With the help of digital hearing aids, an iPhone with apps, tablet, Apple watch and her assistance dog, Molly can get around town and keep up to date with all of her extensive work interests and social activities.

In her inspiring conference presentation, Molly set out how technology can help people such as those with Usher Syndrome live independently and enjoy life rather than be left feeling isolated.



In a short video presentation, Nicola Blackwood (Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at the Department of Health) supported the conference's aims and emphasised the recent Department of Health's £25m 'Housing and Tech' funding announcement.

George Crooks (Medical Director at NHS 24) followed the Minister and provided a useful update on the integration of health and care in Scotland which is mandated through legislation. He also provided coverage of TECS developments in Scotland.



George Crooks, David Orr, Linda Sanders, Bridget Warr

As part of the Connected Care, Connected Homes and Connected Communities theme, conference heard from David Orr (Chief Executive, National Housing Federation), Linda Sanders (ADASS lead for Assistive Technology and Strategic Director for People, Wolverhampton Council) and Bridget Warr (Chief executive, UK Home Care Association).



TSA are now working in partnership with a number of organisations across the health, housing, social care and public protection sectors to coordinate activities and share best practice through roundtable and other sessions.

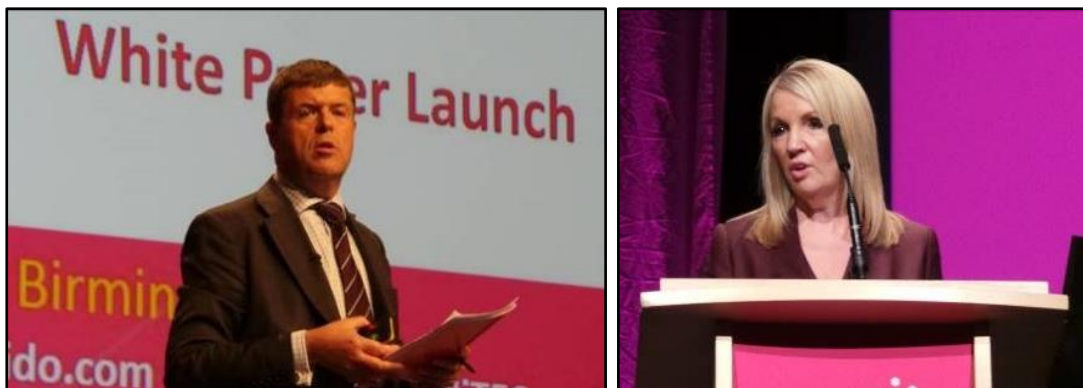
The plenary sessions continued with Rob Webster (Chief Executive at South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust). Rob provided many examples of digital resources available in Yorkshire eg mHealth Habitat, Airedale telemedicine hub supporting care homes.



Left – Rob Webster

At the conference, PA Consulting Group, trading as Argenti was announced as the winner of the TSA Crystal Award which recognises excellence in Technology Enabled Care services in the UK. In Hampshire, just 500 people in 2012/13 received a telecare service. The total is now over 6800 people with high satisfaction ratings and a net saving of £4.7m over the last three years by reducing more costly care.

The main plenary sessions on Day One ended with Paul Burstow launching anew White Paper. You can view a [video](#) of this presentation and read a one page [summary](#).



Conference Chair, Paul Burstow and TSA Chief Executive, Alyson Scurfield

Day 2 of the conference started with another inspiring speaker, Roz Davies. Roz's presentation on a 'Patient-Driven Digital Prescription' has now been [published](#).



Roz was followed by Beverley Bryant (Director of Digital Transformation, NHS Digital) who outlined the **National Information Board's** programme relevant to TECS including the work being carried out on self-care, long term conditions, apps and social care.

Dr Liz Mear (Chair of the AHSN Network and Chief Executive, Innovation Agency) provided an extensive overview of the AHSN work in her own area in the North West and across the country to bring technology enabled care and innovation into mainstream services.

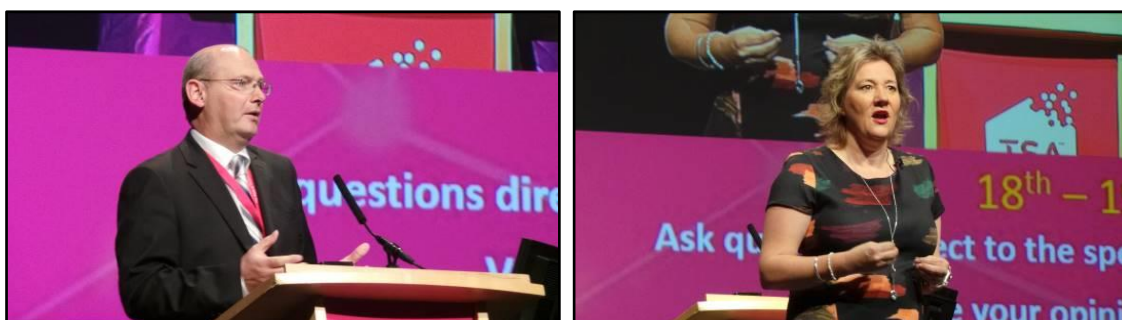
Karen Taylor, (Research Director, UK Centre for Health Solutions, Deloitte) considered that a tipping point was being reached in the use of technology in health and care. Deloitte has published a number of useful documents that provide background, current trends, case examples in telecare, telehealth and digital health.



Beverley Bryant (NHS Digital), Liz Mear (AHSN Network), Karen Taylor (Deloitte)

In the next session, Carrie Lomas (Director, IoT, Cognitive Solutions EU, IBM) provided an overview of current and future digital health and care and gave some examples of how IBM have been involved in recent developments (eg IBM Watson).

Dave Foster (Chair of the TSA Technology Steering Board) set out some of the main features of the constantly evolving TSA technology roadmap as the TEC industry moves further into digital.



Dave Foster (TSA), Carrie Lomas (IBM)





In the conference App Zone, [Orcha](#) covered their recent progress on reviewing apps and a number of app developers gave presentations on their products.

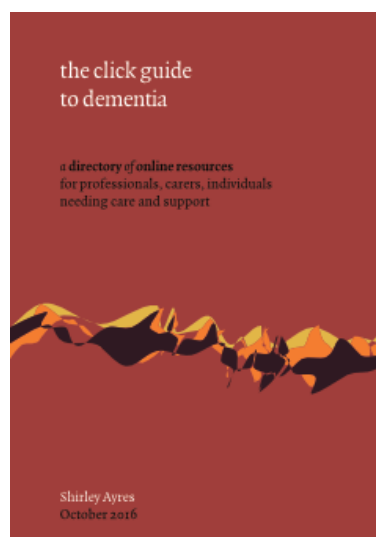


Liz Ashall-Payne, ORCHA

The TSA October eLink is now [available](#) and features:

- White Paper – Putting People First
- Quality Standards Framework to support the future of Technology Enabled Care
- New partnership to transform Technology Enabled Care commissioning and procurement
- New free online training for carers and Housing Providers launching through new partnership

1.2 New Dementia Click Guide



There is a new [Click Guide to Dementia](#) from Shirley Ayres covering a wide range of resources, networks and products available via the Internet. Further Click Guides are planned.



1.3 Accelerated Access Review – final report

The [Accelerated Access Review: final report](#), commissioned by the government and led by an independent chair, was published on 24 October. The review aims to make the UK a world-leader in healthcare innovation, with an NHS that embraces the new drugs and technologies that patients need and supports work with local areas to develop solutions to their specific healthcare needs.

The report says streamlined processes could bring forward patient access to drugs by up to four years and patients will benefit from quicker access to medical technologies too. The report will help the NHS to provide the best care to patients, use funds more effectively, and create the conditions to help the life sciences industry continue to thrive.

The review recommends the creation of a new accelerated access partnership to speed up and simplify the process for getting the most promising new treatments and diagnostics safely from pre-clinical development to patients.

The review says that accessing innovation in the NHS has become increasingly challenging. This creates frustration for clinicians and patients who often have to wait for life-saving treatments, and for innovators who must navigate multiple processes before their products can be used.

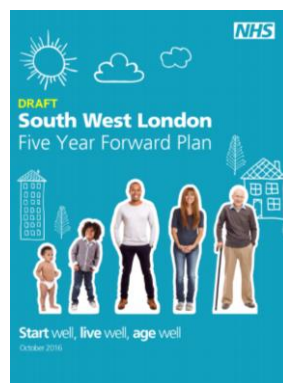
Through the new partnership, innovators would be able to access joined-up help for clinical development, regulation, and assessment of cost effectiveness. It is recommended that the partnership includes NHS England, NHS Improvement, the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) and the Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency (MHRA).

The review recommends a simpler process for digital technologies which are often developed by smaller companies, such as healthcare apps for managing long-term conditions.

The government will now consider the proposals and respond more fully in due course, mindful of the need to ensure affordability.

1.4 Sustainability and Transformation Plans

The first of the 44 Sustainability and Transformation Plans are being published in England. These draft plans, subject to consultation over the coming weeks, include bids for transformation, IT and digital technology funding.



The first three are now available as follows:

- [South West London](#)
- [North Central London](#)
- [Birmingham and Solihull](#)



2 News Headlines

This section includes a selection of links compiled over the last month under five headings.

2.1 Telecare, Telehealth, Mobile & Digital Health, Telemedicine

Appello and the Housing LIN join forces to support a digital awareness in the housing sector – via [Appello](#)

Shutter falls on life-logging camera start-up Narrative - via [BBCNews](#)

Two thirds of B'ham 14000 telecare users considered not to have assessed need for care/support - via [BhamCityCouncil](#)

£25 million housing and technology fund for people with learning disabilities - deadline 28 Oct - via [DHgovuk](#)

10 daily apps to help caregivers take care of their loved ones - via [mashable](#)

125,000 people die every year in US because they mismanage their meds - could #digitalhealth help? - via [Forbes](#)

6 MH sites to redesign services & prevent patients being admitted to hospital away from home - via [NHSEngland](#)

Aetna launches new consumer wellness program with Apple Watch - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

Amazon launches Spotify and Apple Music competitor - discounted for Amazon Echo - via [guardian](#)

Analysis: #DigitalHealth Companies Aren't Solving the Right Problems - via [KQEDscience](#)

Analytics strategies for telehealth and remote patient monitoring - via [HealthITNews](#)

Apple hopes that you'll eventually hand over health data tracked on your devices to your doctor - via [technology](#)

Apple's new home button makes iPhones and iPads more difficult to use in hospital settings - via [iMedicalApps](#)

Apple's picks for apps for doctors, nurses, patients and medical students - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

Apps can give you a GP consultation in minutes, but at what cost to the health service? - via [guardian](#)

Are killer bots about to do away with smartphone apps - via [BBCNews](#)

Asthma tracking startup Propeller Health takes in \$21.5 million to grow and go global - via [TechCrunch](#)



Australian non-profit launches app to collect 70 million emotions for suicide prevention - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

Call for Papers/projects - Digital Health and Care Congress 2017 (deadline 9 Dec) - via [TheKingsFund](#)

Camera tech to replace pulse oximeter clip trialled in Fife - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Clinical health apps outpacing fitness trackers among investors and innovators, study finds - via [HealthITNews](#)

Could a Smartwatch Detect Oncoming Heart Attacks? - via [Medgadget](#)

Data breaches ongoing as NHS Digital tries to honour opt-out - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Digital health technology poised to help an aging population - via [SearchHealthIT](#)

Do you have a project to showcase at the Digital Health & Care Congress 2017? - deadline 9 Dec - via [TheKingsFund](#)

Doctors Are Growing to Like Digital Health Tools, Says the AMA - via [healthpopuli](#)

Doctors beat algorithms on diagnosis - study - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Dr Now passes inspection amid more scrutiny for health apps - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Elder care on-demand: why tech is setting its sights on your parents - via [guardian](#)

Event: Digital Health & Care Alliance - Next DHACA Day - 6 October in Leeds - via [DHACA.org](#)

Film to showcase virtual 'out of hours' appointments in Millom, Cumbria - via [FabNHSStuff](#)

First digital health providers inspected by CQC - via [HSJnews \(£ subs\)](#)

From Australia: Digital Health Agency responds to calls to fix electronic messaging - via [AuDigitalHealth](#)

Funds and assessment needed for digital health start-ups - via [digitalhealth2](#)

GPs offered thousands of pounds to give private consultations via app - via [BBCNews](#)

Health and medical app landscape becoming crowded, harder to monetize, report finds - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

Help for children's mental health, from apps to parenting classes - via [guardian](#)

Here is Apple's smart plan for #digitalhealth - via [Computerworld](#)

John Torous from Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center: Using Smartphones in Mental Health Care - via [MDMagazine](#)

Johnson & Johnson warns insulin pump users of possible hacking risk - via [MobiHealthNews](#)



LAs with local community partners, have until 28 Oct to apply for share of £25m Housing & Tech Fund - via [DHgovuk](#)

Laura's digital disruptors: video consultations - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Mobile health first aid kit, VR for chronic illness, and more shown off at Health 2.0 - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

New Gadgets That Could Give Telemedicine a Boost - via [WSJ](#)

New oversight for remote GP digital services - via [digitalhealth2](#)

New partnership to transform CCG telehealth commissioning - @InprovaGroup @TSAVoice - via [Digihealthnews](#)

New Report Charts Slow Progress for Telehealth Reimbursement - via [mHealthIntel](#)

Nurses describe their innovations, from DVT preventative aid to telehealth service for MS patients - via [guardian](#)

Ofcom to crowdsource UK mobile coverage - via [BBCNews](#)

Pager raises \$5.2M for its app-based house call service; eyes health plan customers - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

Studies: Wearables unlikely to increase physical activity - via [FierceHealth](#)

Telemedicine to attract 7M patient users by 2018 — 12 statistics on the thriving market - via [BeckersHR](#)

Three culture shifts necessary for pharma to embrace digital health - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

US Survey: Consumers want telemedicine, but where and how to get it isn't always clear - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

Using mHealth to Vault the Barriers to Value-Based Care - via [mHealthIntel](#)

Wachter calls for three point IT implementation plan - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Warning of rare battery defect in some heart devices that could cause early failure - via [modrnhealthcr](#)

We must act now so technology can help transform health and social care (by @MichaelDixonGP) - via [nhenews](#)

Wearable trackers may not increase activity levels enough to significantly benefit health - via [guardian](#)

Wearables in Clinical Trials: It's About Correlation and Context - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

What 'mobile' should mean for healthcare - via [TechCrunch](#)

What is Digital Health? (video) - wonder if services will be available via @amazonecho? - via [DHCScot](#)



When is an app not an app (@LoweCM)? - via [TelecareAware](#)

With \$3.1M in funding, Kindly Care launches app-enabled senior care platform in California - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

2.2 Connected Care, Internet of Things, Smart Homes

9 things Google Home can do that Alexa can't - via [CNET](#)

Amazon Echo for #dementia - via [DailyCaring](#)

Amazon's Echo struggles to connect to BT's Home Hub - via [guardian](#)

Challenge for Amazon Echo: Google Home launches in US on 4 November at \$129 - via [guardian](#)

Could @amazonecho and Alexa be useful for in-home care? - via [AgingTEch](#)

Daily Mail first newsbrand to fully integrate with Amazon Alexa - via [TheDrum](#)

Finally, Passive Smartphone Sensing Comes to Health Care - via [cosgretton](#)

Google announce Google Wi-Fi, new Google Chromecast Ultra and Google Home (with assistant) - via [guardian](#)

Google Home offers - music, search/knowledge/local info, manage everyday tasks, device control - via [guardian](#)

Google Home starts battle with Amazon for living rooms - via [guardian](#)

Google Home Vs. Amazon Echo: Everything You Need To Know - via [Forbes](#)

Google Pixel event: tech giant launches first smartphone - Google assistant updates & Google Home - via [guardian](#)

Google places virtual assistant at heart of its latest smartphones & first voice-activated speaker - via [BBCNews](#)

Google unveils 'chatty' smartphones with virtual assistant - via [BBCNews](#)

Google's Home might cost \$50 less than Amazon's Echo - via [BIUK](#)

Hands on with Google's Home speaker - via [BBCNews](#)

How to get Amazon Echo to work with BT Home Hub - via [techradar](#)

IoT has created global network of devices vulnerable to cyber criminals – no one wants to fix it - via [guardian](#)

Keeping audio diaries can boost confidence of people with dementia - via [homecare_co_uk](#)

NYC public wi-fi terminals learn tough lessons about the Internet - via [RWW](#)



Older people sent home from hospital in dead of night amid fundamental breakdown in system - via [Telegraph](#)

Older people's homecare at risk from £513 million UK deficit - via [ukhca](#)

Safe and Sound - acoustic monitoring in care homes (by @vicrayner) - via [CareTalkMag](#)

Study: A multichannel smartphone optical biosensor for high-throughput point- - via [Study](#)

The connected home: The final digital frontier - via [TheNextWeb](#)

The first 5 things you should do with the@amazonecho - available from 28 Sept in UK - via [stuffTV](#)

The Internet of Things is totally unregulated, and that might have to change - via [qz](#)

The secret smartphone war over the struggle for control of the user - via [guardian](#)

UK has never been more addicted to smartphones - via [BBCNews](#)

2.3 Health Tech

3D printing and scanning techniques are improving access to fully customisable artificial limbs - via [guardian](#)

50 suppliers on updated NHS Supply Chain imaging framework - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Addenbrooke's £140m IT contract hangs in balance - 1 of 12 Digital Tech Global Exemplar hospitals - via [HSJnews \(£\)](#)

Brexit timescale means NHS should plan for EU data laws - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Caldicott 3: Easy to say, hard to do? - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Did Pokemon Go Increase U.S. Activity Levels? - via [techreview](#)

Digital Roadmap Focus: Hampshire and the Isle of Wight - looking for £100m of new money - via [digitalhealth2](#)

EHI award winners announced - via [digitalhealth2](#)

End-of-life shared electronic care systems face 'immense challenges' - paper - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Event: Health CIO National Conference - 1 Nov, B'ham - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Have hackers turned my printer into an offensive weapon? - via [BBCNews](#)

HSCN connections this year after delays – NHS Digital - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Hunt says IT spend protected in financial crisis - via [digitalhealth2](#)



Isle of Man hospital aims to be paperless by 2018 - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Johnson & Johnson says insulin pump 'could be hacked' - via [BBCNews](#)

Leeds still working to recover from pathology IT crash - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Leslie Saxon (@LeslieSaxon): Technology's impact on healthcare is profound - via [FierceHealth](#)

Machine logic: our lives are ruled by big tech's 'decisions by data' - via [guardian](#)

McNeil calls for fast NHS digitisation 'across the board' - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Mental health provider views about digital technologies in day-to-day practice - via [victoriabetton](#)

Microsoft expert who predicts future tech says Qwerty keyboard 'will die out' - voice, gesture - via [standardnews](#)

Mossberg: How Google's bold moves shake up the tech industry - via [verge](#)

National Cyber Security Centre to help tackle NHS threats - via [digitalhealth2](#)

NHS 24 IT system now four years late and 73% over budget - via [digitalhealth2](#)

NIA company Nervecentre launches mobile clinical photography solution - via [FabNHSSstuff](#)

Patient Engagement Technology: Moving Beyond Patient Portals? - via [HCInformatics](#)

ResApp's respiratory diagnostic app 91-100 percent accurate in study of adults - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

Rise of algorithms has been relentless, but we need human input in our world of tech innovations - via [guardian](#)

Scientist using big data against heart disease wins \$75 million award - via [statnews](#)

STPs released with big digital price tag - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Survey: US Consumers want health insurers to be more tech-savvy, find new ways to engage them - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

Tech for Good 2016-17 - funding for 10 digital projects - closes 1 November - via [comicroelief](#)

Ten Top Technologies That Will Transform The Healthcare Industry - via [Forbes](#)

The challenges of replacing old hospital IT systems - St Georges - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Third STP published, asks for at least £80m for digital - via [digitalhealth2](#)

Tinder report backs tech support for people with dementia - via [digitalhealth2](#)



Wales invests £11 million in NHS devices and security - via [digitalhealth2](#)

We need better language to describe the tech companies that control our digital world - via [guardian](#)

What if there were more women in tech? - via [BBCNews](#)

Would you do your banking with a tech startup? - via [guardian](#)

2.4 Robotics, AI and VR

A child-size robot takes debate over automation of human jobs to next level (Julai Carrie Wong)
- via [guardian](#)

AI-powered body scanners could soon speed up your airport check-in - via [guardian](#)

'Artificial intelligence positioned to be a game-changer - via [CBSNews](#)

Baidu launches medical assistant chatbot to help doctors collect patient information - via [VentureBeat](#)

Chinese web company Baidu launches medical chatbot for doctors and patients - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

Clinician of the Month @keithgrimes discusses possibilities of VR in health & disruptive tech - via [DHealthLDN](#)

Facebook just offered a glimpse at its future in VR - via [BIUK](#)

Facebook, Amazon, Google, IBM, and Microsoft come together to create historic Partnership on AI - via [TechCrunch](#)

Following the Hasbro cats there is now a Robot golden retriever - via [Gizmodo](#)

Fremo's Evo battery frees Amazon Echo Dot from restraints - via [slashgear](#)

From Australia: Carers get a helping hand from NAO Robots - EPCII initiative - via [GovNewsAU](#)

Google creates AI program that uses reasoning to navigate the London tube - via [guardian](#)

Google says its new AI-powered translation tool scores nearly identically to human translators - via [qz](#)

Government thinking on AI and robotics needs reboot - via [CommonsSTC](#)

Govt is completely unprepared for the coming robot takeover, MPs warn (Science & Tech Cttee)
- via [Independent](#)

How virtual reality is changing the game in healthcare - via [guardian](#)

iBeat launches heart-monitoring watch campaign on Indiegogo - via [MobiHealthNews](#)



IBM AI system Watson to diagnose rare diseases in Germany - via [BBCNews](#)

ICC unveils 'world first' humanoid sales robot - via [nationnews](#)

IT failure sees operations postponed amid backlog of 10,000 blood tests - via [Telegraph](#)

Mail-Order Tests Check Cells for Signs of Early Aging - via [WSJ](#)

More Than Half of Kaiser Permanente's Patient Visits Are Done Virtually - via [FortuneMagazine](#)

Occipital is bringing room-scale VR to your phone, and that's a big deal - via [wareable](#)

OK, Google - who will win the AI wars? - via [BBCRoryCJ](#)

Prevention is better than cure: tips for effective sustainability and transformation plans - via [ewandking](#)

RBS, NatWest and SEB banks employ virtual staff - chatbot Luvo - via [BBCNews](#)

Schools not preparing children to succeed in an AI future, MPs warn - via [guardian](#)

Sick patients are being forced to wait in ambulances outside Accident & Emergency departments - via [Telegraph](#)

Singapore: Rehab-robot project clinches accolade for patient care - via [STcom](#)

Sustainability Plan: How NHS is about to undergo a revolution in Norfolk and Waveney - via [EDP24](#)

Swedish pharmacy launches D2C virtual reality app for pain relief - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

The 'Airbnb effect': is it real, and what is it doing to a city like Amsterdam? - via [guardian](#)

The Alexa Prize to advance conversational AI - creating a socialbot - \$2.5m total - via [amazon](#)

The era of robots: impact on jobs as machines take over, says construction boss - via [Telegraph](#)

The real-world uses for virtual reality eg VR operations, understanding autism - via [BBCNews](#)

This Accessory Makes VR So Real a Surgeon Could Train with It - via [techreview](#)

To manage chronic conditions, make connections -- either with humans or AIs - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

Toyota hopes its mini robot will be a friend to lonely people - via [SkyNews](#)

Toyota launches 'baby' robot for companionship - via [BBCNews](#)

Toyota's Kirobo Mini Robot Is Cute -- But What's It Actually For? - via [Forbes](#)

Virtual reality for the masses is here. But do the masses want VR? - via [guardian](#)

What if video game characters could think, feel and talk? - 'emotional AI' - via [guardian](#)



2.5 Policy, guidance, announcements, miscellaneous

#ITECCONF16 'The whole care market for older and disabled people in England could be at risk' - via [BBCNews](#)

£220 million for cutting-edge new technology - via [hmtreasury](#)

1,370 older people go missing in China each day (includes dementia impact) - via [thetimes £ subs](#)

30m research papers - Iris AI expedites research through the power of artificial intelligence - via [TechCrunch](#)

9 of 10 UK councils failing to pay realistic prices to support older/disabled people in their homes - via [BBCNews](#)

A digital NHS is essential, says NHS director (@JulietBauer) - via [HealthITCentral](#)

A Patient-Driven Digital Prescription' - great blog from @roz_davies from #TECconf1 - via [WeLLWeLoveLife](#)

A Practical To-Do List For Family Caregivers - via [KHNews](#)

Act on children's mental ill health or risk national crisis, warns expert - via [guardian](#)

Adult social care statistics including safeguarding, care of vulnerable adults in England - via [NHSDigital](#)

After the success of Pokémon Go!, what is the future for augmented reality? - via [guardian](#)

AHSN Network supports ambitions to make the UK a world-leader in healthcare innovation - via [MearLiz](#)

Amazon Echo UK review - via [Telegraph](#)

Ambulance patients face long A&E delays - via [BBCNews](#)

Apple Strategy 2017. Is an important change to iPhone coming? - via [Scobleizer](#)

Are doctors prescribing too many drugs? - via [BBCHughPym](#)

Artificial intelligence 'judge' developed by UCL computer scientists - via [guardian](#)

Benchmarking Older People's Care in Acute Settings - via [FabNHSSstuff](#)

Bengoa review 'to redesign Northern Ireland health care for 21st Century - via [BBCNews](#)

Bengoa review: Ambitious health care shake-up unveiled for Northern Ireland - via [BBCNews](#)

Beyond Verbal launches research platform to leverage heal - via [MobiHealthNews](#)

Birmingham & Solihull publish Sustainability & Transformation Plan - via [BhamCityCouncil](#)



Blighted lives: The true cost of diabetes - 140 amputations a week in England - via [BBCNews](#)

Blue Badge private beta trial to use GOV.UK Verify - via [UKAuthority](#)

Britain's NHS is chronically underfunded, but great value for money ... for now - via [ConversationUK](#)

Business rate rise to push up cost of broadband, BT says - via [BBCNews](#)

Can a chatbot teach you a foreign language? Duolingo thinks so - via [guardian](#)

Cancer care: Is world class status a distant dream? - via [BBCNews](#)

Care home company fined £1.6m for letting woman freeze to death - via [guardian](#)

Care home residents deprived of liberty in record numbers - via [guardian](#)

Carers' A&E visits can be preventable, says report - via [BBCNews](#)

Cars fitted with on-board sensors to share info in real time via digital map service - via [BBCNews](#)

Chinese webcam maker recalls devices after cyberattack link - via [guardian](#)

City leaders push for accountable care model covering 250,000 people in Wolverhampton - via [HSJnews \(£ subs\)](#)

Clinical leadership & focus on patients at the heart of the evolution of clinical commissioning - via [NHSCCPress](#)

Cost of care.data programme in NHS - via [TheRegister](#)

Could a portable iPhone powered \$150 spectrometer be used to check biomarkers for cancer? - via [9to5mac](#)

Could Amazon's Echo be a digital care agent for chronic patients? - via [medcitynews](#)

Could Brexit prove terminal for the NHS? - via [guardian](#)

Council cuts push specialist housing for vulnerable people into the cold - via [guardian](#)

Councils respond to UKHCA report on care costs - via [LGComms](#)

Customers 'bewildered and fearful' about use of their data - via [BBCNews](#)

'Dangerous and unsafe' care driving midwives out of NHS - via [guardian](#)

Deep learning needs to become more efficient if it is to help diagnose rare illnesses - via [guardian](#)

Diabetes: Tenth of adults at risk of disease by 2035 - could soar to 17% of NHS budget - via [BBCNews](#)



Diabetes: The Hidden Killer (BBCTV) - via [BBCPanorama](#)

Digital innovation in Asia: What the world can learn - via [McKinsey](#)

Doctors' leaders call for prescription drug helpline - via [BBCNews](#)

Doctors name treatments that bring little or no benefit - via [BBCNews](#)

Don't think of Amazon Echo as just a speaker. It's a whole new way of life - via [latimes](#)

Dr Chris Mimmagh: General practice needs to embrace the potential of IT - via [gponline](#)

Driverless car tested in public in UK - via [BBCNews](#)

DWP scraps retesting for chronically ill sickness benefits claimants - via [guardian](#)

Elderly care crisis looms as ministers accused of living 'in fantasy world' - via [Telegraph](#)

English care home closures are leaving vulnerable people at risk, says watchdog - via [guardian](#)

English man spends 11 hours trying to make cup of tea with Wi-Fi kettle - via [guardian](#)

Event: National Children and Adult Services Conference 2-4 Nov, Manchester - via [1adass](#)

Event: 'People Drive Digital' 28/29 Nov, Leeds#PDDigital1 - via [wearemhabitat](#)

Every 1% saved from chaotic NHS procurement could save £220m - Colin Cram - via [guardian](#)

Families Caring for an Aging America - via [NASEM_Health](#)

FDA is working with hospitals to modernize data collection about medical devices - via [US_FDA](#)

Figures reveal huge inequalities in health and longevity across UK - via [guardian](#)

First set of standardised products for NHS providers announced - via [HSJnews\(£ subs\)](#)

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People Drive Digital 28-29 November, Leeds <http://wearemhabitat.com/events/people-drive-digital/>

Scottish Digital Health & Care Week and Conference will this year be held from 28 November to 2 December – details at <http://sctt.org.uk/scottish-digital-health-care-week-2016/>



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