Welcome

Welcome to the April 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.

What’s in a name? – the Health and Social Care Information Centre is being rebranded as ‘NHS Digital’. The National Information Board now has 33 work programmes to implement digital health and care. Wi-fi in hospitals and GP surgeries is to go ahead over the next 2-3 years. There is up to £2.4bn of additional funding for GP practices in the recently published ‘Forward View’ document – some of the money will support tech and IT. Raising awareness for technology enabled care in the UK remains a challenge – TSA were recently successful with a supplement in the Guardian newspaper to share some important messages. Manchester has kicked off its £6bn health and care devolution experiment. Local health and care organisations in England are preparing 85 digital roadmaps following publication of digital maturity scores – local authorities are strongly encouraged to complete self-assessments too. Scotland are updating their TEC strategy – look out for announcements during the Summer. There are plenty of new virtual reality devices coming onto the market and a London hospital recently broadcast an operation in VR – a global first. Look out for more chatbots popping up – will these new bots and integrated platforms replace apps? We’ve got over 800 links in our April news roundup – we hope you will find much of interest.

Upcoming events include TSA Summit in May, Financial Times Digital Health in June, the King’s Fund Digital Health and Care Congress in July (new video available) as well as events from RSM over the coming weeks.
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1 Main News Items

1.1 eHealth Week updates

The Department of Health recently announced that ‘NHS Digital’ is the new name for the Health and Social Care Information Centre (HSCIC) from July 2016. HSCIC is the national provider of information, data and IT systems for commissioners, analysts and clinicians in health and social care.

In announcing the change, Minister, George Freeman said “Healthcare in the 21st century is going digital with improved treatment and care, and with huge benefits for patient safety. The newly named NHS Digital will provide important information and IT services to ensure better care for patients”.

The National Information Board (NIB) met during eHealth week and started to set out its work programme for the current year including plans to make free wi-fi available in hospitals and GP practices.

The idea of free wi-fi started with Tim Kelsey and was recently also championed by Baroness Martha Lane-Fox along with her recommendation to support the furthest first.

Would free wi-fi enable people to be discharged earlier from hospital? That was the challenge from an audience member in questioning the evidence base. Given that mobile will be well on the way to 5G, the person also questioned the technology. The aim now is to have free wi-fi available in all hospital buildings by March 2018 and all GP practices by March 2019.

Beverley Bryant (NHS England) and Andy Williams (HSCIC) announced that the NIB work will be grouped into 33 programmes and 10 domains.
A review, commissioned by Jeremy Hunt in September 2015 and completed by Dame Fiona Caldicott to look at data security, consent and opt-out from health record sharing has been delayed until after the EU Referendum in June 2016. This leaves a number of initiatives (eg care.data, data-sharing) on hold until a formal consultation has taken place.

1.2 GP Forward View – new funding for primary care

NHS England has recently published ‘General Practice Forward View’ which aims to increase spending in the sector from £9.6bn a year in 2015-2016 to over £12bn in 2020/21 – a fourteen percent real terms increase.

As well as supporting day to day activities and improved premises, extra funding will be used to support new care models including GP federations and the use of non-GP staff in primary care eg pharmacists, mental health therapists, nurses and physician assistants.

An 18% uplift in clinical commissioning group allocations for provision of GP IT services and technology for general practice is proposed. The new report stresses that services should include remote access to digital patient records and electronic messaging to patients (eg via text).

Specialist support and some funding will be provided to practices, including services for information governance, interoperability, cyber security, data quality, shared care planning, decision support, electronic links to specialists and appointment management. There will also be a £45m national programme to increase the uptake of online consultations. A new £30 million ‘Releasing Time for Patients’ programme is expected to include giving patients online access to accredited clinical triage systems and an accredited apps library.

1.3 Royal Society of Medicine - Future of medicine; the role of doctors in 2025

On May 19th the RSM, jointly with the IET, is holding the Future of medicine; the role of doctors in 2025, in its second year. It will be opened by George Freeman, Minister for Life Sciences, as the first of a really outstanding line-up of international speakers including Dr Ruchi Dass, the renowned public health expert from India, Sir John Savill, Chief Executive at the Medical Research Council, Prof Tim Evans, author of the ‘Future Hospital’ report, Prof David Thwaites, Director of the Institute of Medical Physics University of Sydney, Dr Jack Kreindler, Australia, and many more.

The objective of this conference is to explore just how far the delivery of health and care has been improved by the availability of new technology, and what the latest predictions are by those working in the field of how medicine will really be practised in nine years' time. It is aimed primarily at people in the health and care world whose decisions today will hasten – or hinder – the arrival of improved technology-enabled care. Booking is available here.

(Contributed by Charles Lowe and RSM)

1.4 News from TSA

TSA’s latest e-Link is available (April 2016) and features a number of interesting developments.

There is a new blog from TSA’s Senior Advisor, Paul Burstow (@paulburstow). Chief Executive Alyson Scurfield (@alysonscurfield) has a lead article on ‘Shaping the future of Technology Enabled Care’. TSA has recently commenced discussions with the United Kingdom
Homecare Association (UKHCA) to look at how care can be provided in the home supplemented where appropriate with technology that can make a difference.

UKHCA represents home care organisations across public and private funding models who have a wealth of experience in supporting a wide range of service users, their carers and families.

TSA Membership is now over 350 and preparations are underway for the organisation’s Annual Summit in May and the International Conference in October. More partnerships and collaborations will be announced in the coming weeks.

In January 2016, TSA launched a new engagement programme with member organisations called TSA Connects, an idea created in response to members’ desire for smaller, more operationally focused groups, smaller in size than the TSA's regional Technology Enabled Care events, and focused on concerns and challenges facing the everyday operations of the organisation.

Over the past three months, 10 events have been held across the UK bringing hundreds of TSA members together to voice needs, enable sharing of learning, build collaboration and look for solutions and good practice to support ongoing business development, realising benefits, raise profiles and awareness, and give a collective voice to tackle national issues and concerns.

As part of a programme of raising awareness of Technology Enabled Care, TSA was recently named lead association in a national Digital Health & Care campaign printed in The Guardian newspaper and online at www.healthawareness.co.uk by Mediaplanet UK.

Alyson Scurfield, Chief Executive of TSA was featured on the front cover of the supplement and contributed with the opening foreword ‘The Connected World’ outlining the importance of Technology Enabled Care and working together to make TSA’s 2016 theme ‘connected care, connected homes and connected communities’ a reality.

Rt Hon Paul Burstow, TSA Senior Adviser and Professor of Health and Social Care also contributed to the supplement with a thought leader article titled ‘Connected lives key to a sustainable care system’, highlighting an aging population and approaches to adopting technology across large populations.

(Contributed by Jeni Quirke at TSA – follow @TSAVoice on Twitter for daily updates)
1.5 Health and Care Integration: Local Digital Roadmap & Social Care Digital Maturity Self-Assessment

The National Information Board as part of the Five Year Forward View has asked local health and care areas to develop a Local Digital Roadmap by 30th June 2016.

This is aimed at supporting the sharing of information for care and meeting the ambition to be ‘paper-free at the point of care’ by 2020. It includes the local join up of care information through shared care records and plans, electronic transfer of care information and use of remote / assistive technology.

CCGs are coordinating the plans although all Local Authorities with social care responsibilities are named as partners. You can find out more information on the roadmaps here. We anticipate that national technology funding will be linked to delivery of these plans.

To support the development of these roadmaps the LGA working with partners is launching a social care digital maturity self-assessment which will help Local Authorities in identifying areas of good practice and areas for future focus.

The free online tool has been developed by LGA working alongside ADCS Performance & Information Management Group, ADASS Informatics Network and Society of Corporate IT Managers (Socitm). It covers both children’s and adult’s services.

All Local Authorities are invited to participate. The tool which will open on 4th April 2016 and close on 13th May 2016. You can gain access the tool by emailing us at socialcaredigital.maturity@local.gov.uk

Further information on the social care digital maturity self-assessment is available here

(Contributed by Mark Golledge, Programme Manager – Health and Care Informatics, Local Government Association)

1.6 Digital Health and Care Congress – July 2016

Beverley Bryant, Director of Digital Technology at NHS England, will be giving a keynote address at The King’s Fund’s Digital Health and Care Congress in July. Watch her interview with Matthew Honeyman on local digital roadmaps, innovation in the NHS and interoperability ahead of the event. Find out more about the Congress here.
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2.1 Telecare

Exercise classes for over 65s could help cut falls risk - via guardian

Falls Risk Assessment Toolkit (Walsall/Keele Univ) - via digitalhealth2

3.4 million users of mobile telecare systems predicted in Europe and North America by 2021 - via IoTNow

Aberdeen CC completes £1.2 million investment in advanced tech to benefit sheltered housing residents - via AberdeenCC


TSA update on Integrated Code of Practice review & plans for the quality standards framework explained - via TSAVoice

Green Access delivers UK’s first IP based telecare system

2.2 Telehealth, Mobile & Digital Health, Telemedicine

FT Digital Health Summit Europe – 16 June 2016 via FinancialTimes

Five #DigitalHealth Implications of the Most Important Report You Never Heard of - via dischermd

Parkinson’s mPower App – 12,000 Registered Users – and Upgrade at Apple Product Launch - via parkinsonstory

Study: Access and Quality of Care in Direct-to-Consumer Telemedicine

HealthTap’s Digital Healthcare Network is Now 100,000 Doctors Strong - via PRNewswire

Sober reality disrupts digital healthcare boom - via FinancialTimes

Proteus Digital Health - interim study results of Proteus Discover - via MobiHealthNews

Proteus Digital Health Presents Interim Results at ACC From RCT of Proteus Discover - via PharmaWeb

Are health wearables passing their physical? - via RWW

U.S. Survey: 42% of digital health consumers say knowing their numbers is top motivator - via MobiHealthNews

Apple's ResearchKit incorporates more genetics through new 23andMe module - via appleinsider

Digital Health in Remote Patient Monitoring: Enabling Greater Visibility and Patient-Centricity - via Forbes

Broken iPhone links frustrate thousands as Apple scrambles to fix problem - via guardian
The future of digital health - via CNBC
Can mHealth Sensors Detect Sepsis? - via mHealthIntel
From Australia: Major public telehealth plan targets seniors, aged care - via AustAgeAgenda
Mayo Study Finds #mhealth Tools Help Cardiac Patients Lose More Weight - via MDIonline
3 ways to improve physician engagement with #telemedicine - via FierceHealthIT
Activity trackers and apps what are consumers saying about them? - via MobiHealthNews
Liverpool striving to become leader in digital health and care - via Misco_UK
U.S. Survey: Telemedicine Helps the Patient More Than the Provider - via mHealthIntel
Apple is now collecting some medical data from iPhones. Here's why - via mashable
HIE funding helps digital health firms set-up in Scotland - via digihealthnews
India: Phone app 'bridges mental health treatment gap - via BBCNews
This man suffered a serious heart attack, and his Apple Watch saved his life - via DigitalTrends

Apple and healthcare – a marriage made in heaven or hell? - via diginomica
U.S. Government Takes Steps on Privacy in Mobile Health Apps - via BloombergBNA
Access and Quality of Care in Direct-to-Consumer Telemedicine - via Study
U.S. Healthmine survey of consumers and use of health apps - via hitconsultant
A new approach to tackling Type 2 diabetes is a step forward for prevention - via PHE_UK
EHI Awards 2016 entries open - via digitalhealth2
Apple announces CareKit. 2,500 apps now integrate with HealthKit - via MobiHealthNews
Health Matters: Midlife approaches to reduce dementia risk - via ProfKevinFenton
Study: Wearables' accuracy varies widely for caloric burn - via MobiHealthNews
Keeping the doctor away: Early thoughts on Apple Care Kit - via HealthStandards
Using telemedicine to treat chronic disease in rural communities’ (U.S.) - via HealthITNews
JAMA: The Use of Telemedicine to Extend Ophthalmology Care - via Study
Apple taps 23andMe to bring genetic data into ResearchKit - via MobiHealthNews
Telehealth Gets a New Twist With eCaring and Samsung Tablets - via SamsungBizUSA
Is Telemedicine Moving Faster than the US Can Handle? - via edrugstoremd
Accuracy of Wearable Devices for Estimating Total Energy Expenditure - via JAMA
Apple’s CareKit Is the Best Argument For Strong Encryption Yet - via WIRED
Apple Debuts CareKit To Help Patients Manage Health - via FortuneMagazine
Guidelines for reporting of health interventions using mobile phones - via bmj_latest
Bertelsmann Foundation report: digital health applications for public use - via GesundheitBW
Bringing Telemedicine to Integrated Health Programs - via EMSWorldNews
Traditional telehealth model is ‘dead’ as wearables take over - via AustAgeAgenda
Telemedicine Still Isn’t Winning Hearts and Mind - via mHealthIntel
As Nokia rebounds from mobile phones, its sets its sights on digital health - via MobiHealthNews
Roche integrates diabetes app with Apple Health - via PMLiVEcom
iOS 9.3 now available with Night Shift mode to help you sleep - via guardian
I need to escape from the planet of the apps | Bella Mackie - via guardian
FBI may have found way to unlock iPhone without Apple - via guardian
An app a day to keep the doctor away - but are they any good? - via guardian

What Could be the Next Frontier in Wearables? - via MDDIonline
Small Mayo Clinic study finds health app could help cardiac rehab patients lose more weight - via MobiHealthNews

Apple expands on ResearchKit with user-focused CareKit - via mashable

BioStamp a big step forward in medical wearables - via USATODAY

From Australia: NBN launches Digital Diagnosis, releases telehealth report - via ZDNet

Korean startup develops handheld sonogram device for the mobile age - via ZDNet

Proteus ingestible sensor improves BP control in study - via iMedicalApps

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Study: Characterization of Apps and Other e-Tools for Medication Use: Insights Into Possible Benefits and Risks

Telemedicine Chemotherapy Program in Australia - via mHealthIntel

Humana launches medication tracking app for Apple Watch - via MobiHealthNews

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Major German telemedicine project meets needs of aging society - via ResearchGermany

Q&A with the Telemedicine Industry’s Top CEOs - via medcitynews

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Center for Connected Health Policy finds ‘no two states alike’ for telehealth service - via FierceHealthIT

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HealthTap creates chat bot for Facebook’s Messenger app - via MobiHealthNews

Seven things telemedicine can learn from Fitbit - via HealthITCentral

Apple Watch’s second year: Will health apps make it a must-have? - via macworld

ResearchKit - The Perfect Platform for Population Health? - via mHealthIntel

Will mobile health apps make GPs redundant? - via guardian

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13 wearable startups to look out for - via wearable

Uganda: Pediatric app predicts mortality risk after hospital discharge - via iMedicalApps
Pfizer, IBM partner to create wearable sensors system to study Parkinson's Disease - via MobiHealthNews

Telehealth & digital health development at Co Durham & Darlington Foundation Trust (CDDFT) - via HealthITCentral

If you think tech is all gadgets & hype - watch this informative & inspiring Camp Digital video from MollyWatt

Birmingham, Sandwell, Solihull roll out 'Your Care Connected' - via digitalhealth2

Algeria launches national telemedicine service - via Telecompaper

Book an appointment: doctors to prescribe novels in new scheme - via guardian

Health apps: Unlimited promise or 'like having a really bad doctor' - via latimes

From U.S.: Mobile Health Apps Interactive Tool - via FTC

Telehealth to improve asthma control in pregnancy: A randomized controlled trial - via Study

Mobile at bedside - via mcknightsltcn

Digital health tools used more for 'lifestyle' than disease management, says report - via HealthITNews

How Does Telehealth Really Affect Hospital Readmissions? - via eVisit

MediPi open source telehealth kit piloted in NHS - via digitalhealth2

Forget Apple vs. the FBI: WhatsApp Just Switched on Encryption for a Billion People - via WIRED

Apple’s ResearchKit incorporates more genetics through new 23andMe module - via appleinsider

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Self-diagnosing, Monitoring Apps Embraced With Caution - via Medscape
Ringly’s new smart bracelets work with 100+ apps - via DigitalTrends

GP consultation through a free desktop, smartphone or tablet app - via meedoc

Apple launches smaller, cheaper smartphone called iPhone SE - via guardian

Can a smartphone be your digital therapist? - via digihealthnews

Could a smartphone-sized device help diagnose diseases in 20 minutes? - via guardian

ResApp Nabs $12.5M For Smartphone App That Could Diagnose Respiratory Diseases - via hitconsultant

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Study: Smartphone app that listens to breathing, determines resp diseases, is 89% accurate - via MobiHealthNews

We’re increasingly looking to tech to improve fitness, but should we trust it with our health too? - via PCAdvisor

How Wearable Technologies Can Enhance Subject Recruitment for Clinical Trials - via HealthITNews

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Data security threat scars digital health - via FinancialTimes

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Beyond the health tech hype: generating evidence in digital health - via Rock_Health

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Apple Wants The iPhone To Record Every Aspect Of Your Health - via BuzzFeed

From the U.S.: Legal health isn’t easy for digital health companies - via TechCrunch

Hackathon designs app to help migrants navigate the NHS - via guardian

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Study: Developing mHealth Remote Monitoring Technology for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

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HealthTap Reaches Major Milestone In Virtual Care Expansion (100,000 networked docs) - via FortuneMagazine

TeleHealth is making a difference in the support of Intermountain's critically ill patients - via Intermountain

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Skin patch shows promise for pain-free diabetes testing - via CBSNews

Virtual Clinics Improve Access for Diabetes Patients - via Medscape

CirrusMD raises $1M or text-first, video visits telemedicine offering - via MobiHealthNews

Should mental health app developers back up claims with clinical evidence? by @chrissyfarr - via FastCompany

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The Apple Watch isn't the breakthrough product we were hoping for - via techinsider

A year with the Apple Watch: What works, what doesn’t, and what lies ahead? - via arstechnica

The man who bet his house on his mobile phone invention - via BBCNews

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Medisafe iConnect Smart Pill Management System - via Medgadget
Are smart devices making patients smarter? - via tmforumorg
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Target Leverages Connected Devices To Prepare For An Aging Population - via PSFK

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The top-country early-adopters of the Internet of Things, ranked - via qz
The innovators: the smart systems driving motorists towards smarter cities - via guardian
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Will smart meters be worth the money? - via BBCNews
Gartner warns of coming IoT data management overload - via RWW
Welcome Home: The Health Hub of the Future - via SamsungBizUSA

Internet of random things: Fridges, doorbells, beds, & ovens are your connected future. Right? - via VentureBeat
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Smart Homes? - Not Until They're Less Dependent On The Internet - via FastCompany
Why Passivity Is Key to the Healthcare Internet of Things - via HITAnalytics
10 Billion Items Of Connected Clothing: The Internet Of Things Just Became A Lot More Fashionable - via Forbes

From New Zealand: Smart devices study may help elderly to avoid needing rest home care - via NZStuff

Can Healthcare’s Internet of Things Move from Froth to Function? - via HITAnalytics

Amazon Echo Dot gives you a voice-controlled smart home for only $90 - via mashable

Revvol Shutdown Debacle Underscores Business Model Challenges For 'Internet Of Things' - via Forbes

Predictions: the intelligent home and the internet of things - via innovateuk

Don’t bother trying to make your dumb house smart - via qz

Designing the ultimate smart home - via wearable

Mobility, IoT fuel digital transformation - via FierceMobileIT

Fitbit's Move Into Medical Gadgets Risks Attracting FDA Scrutiny - via technology

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How KPCB thinks about the future of investing in wearable technology - via TechCrunch

Alternative perspectives on the Internet of Things - via BrookingsInst

GP2U: Smartphone app brings the doctor to your phone - via australian

What's trending in the IoT space - via TechCrunch

Citizen scientists could start to DIY some basic DNA analysis with a home lab - via TechCrunch
AI is not a threat to humanity, but an Internet of ‘Smart’ Things may be! - via TechCrunch

Logitech Harmony Elite review: easy to use remote that takes charge of your home - via guardian

What happens when the IoT device you’ve invested in gets bought out by another company? – via TechCrunch

Why the Internet of Things could fail - via techradar

Building a smarter home (rather than more digitised devices) - via TechCrunch

You can now control your Nest using Amazon’s Alexa - via TheNextWeb

How will IoT impact healthcare? An interview with David Doherty (@mHealthInsight) - via mhealthinsight

Nokia buys France’s Withings for €170M to ramp up in health tech and IoT - via TechCrunch

It doesn’t feel like interacting with technology...Amazon Echo report - via sdut

The Internet of Things keeps letting me down - via slashgear

She has a name: Amazon’s Alexa is a sleeper hit, with serious superfans - via guardian

Amazon’s Alexa can now add events to Google Calendar - via verge

Amazon Echo now gives health advice about your child and will help you find a plumber - via IBTimesUK

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Health & Care cyber security plans outlined amid ‘mounting concern’ of attacks - via Hsjnews(£ subs)

Why hackers are going after health-care providers - via washingtonpost

Under pressure to digitize everything, hospitals are hackers’ biggest new target - via washingtonpost
Crash test: The tech driving down car insurance fraud - via BBCNews
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Share your record allows patients to share a view only snapshot of their health record - via digitalhealth2
GP record access... it's bells and whistles, low down on the list of priorities - via digitalhealth2
Patient record access: March target likely to be met - via digitalhealth2
First free NHS wi-fi targets outlined at NIB meeting - via digitalhealth2

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NHS England publishes ‘mixed’ picture of digital maturity - via digitalhealth2

Salford plans to use CareInMotion for vanguard ACO and social care integration - via digitalhealth2

Why bots are the new apps - via TheEconomist (£ subs)

'Share your record' allows patients to share a view-only snapshot of their health record - via digitalhealth2

Startup Taps Emotional Benefits of Technology for Seniors - via srhousingnews

Technology in health care: Is medicine really evolving? - via kevinmd

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The NHS technology lag cannot go on by Jonathan Sergeant - via NuffieldTrust

How Technology is Keeping In-Home Care Patients Out of the Hospital - via SamsungBizUSA

EE top in mobile internet speed test - via BBCNews

From Australia: Health lifts game for chronically ill - via psnewsonline

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Life stories in dementia care: we all have a story and cannot be understood without it - via guardian

Health and Wellbeing Boards: where to next by @RouseJonDGDH? - via dhgovuk

Improving with age? How city design is adapting to older populations - via guardian

Welcome to the new feudalism – with Silicon Valley as our overlords by Evgeny Morozov - via guardian

Event 2.0 Europe, 10-12 May, Barcelona - via Health2eu

All healthcare is local: Commonwealth Fund looks at 3 U.S. communities - via commonwealthfdn

First of 3 blogs - ‘The Next Generation NHS - Systems Change with Data' - via BeckyMalby

Meet the Top Doctor at Google’s Medical Moonshot Arm (Verily) - via FortuneMagazine

Researchers now have better picture of immune system attacks that cause type 1 diabetes - via BBCNews

Is Facebook planning to take over the world? - via guardian

The Dangers of ‘Polypharmacy,’ the Ever Mounting Pile of Pills - via nytimes

If the Govt had stuck to its plans, catastrophic care costs would be thing of the past - Janet Morrison - via guardian

JAMA: Addressing Social Issues Affecting Health to Improve US Health Outcomes - via Study

FDA: Interoperability a Core Requirement for Precision Medicine - via HITAnalytics

Upcoming event: ‘Doctors 2.0 - 26/27 May, Paris - via Doctors2.0

Junior doctors strikes: ‘Over 100,000 treatment delays’ says NHS - via BBCNews

People with dementia and comorbidities are receiving disjointed substandard care, warn MPs - via AlzSociety

Can the NHS modernise without going broke? - via WiredUK

Tackling Diabetes With ‘Digital Therapeutics' - via FortuneMagazine

3 Learning and Events

Click on the links below for conferences and learning events over the coming months.

Health 2.0 Europe, 10-12 May, Barcelona http://bit.ly/1LGdH7s

TSA Annual Summit 2016 will be held on 19 May 2016 in Manchester
The future of medicine - the role of doctors in 2025 - London, 19 May 2016
http://bit.ly/1UkdgO0


http://bit.ly/1UkdoNQ


Health + Care, 29-30 June, London http://www.healthpluscare.co.uk/


Programme details for the 2016 Digital Health and Care Congress (5-6 July 2016) at The King’s Fund are now available. Speakers include Jeremy Hunt (Health Secretary), Beverley Bryant and Matthew Swindells (NHS England), Mustafa Suleyman (Deepmind), Dame Fiona Caldicott and Bob Wachter (currently carrying out a review of digital health in the NHS).

4 Other useful links

Housing Learning and Improvement Network www.housinglin.org.uk Twitter: @HousingLIN

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