Welcome

Welcome to the March 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.

The Department of Health and Office of Life Sciences are (again) getting interested in how technologies could be adopted by adult care self-funders – will we see a better plan this time that can help raise awareness of the wide range of health and care technologies that are now available in the UK to support self-management and maintaining independence? Sir Bruce Keogh has officially opened the new Technology Enabled Care Studio at City University to help train future health and care professionals in the use of assistive technologies – hopefully this will help improve knowledge and understanding in the workforce. A year has now passed since the first NHS vanguard sites were announced. Obtaining details of their use of technology to support new care models is not easy – look out for coverage in next month’s newsletter. We will also be monitoring the 85 digital roadmaps and 44 Sustainability and Transformation Plans in England to see how digital technology is being covered in addition to the new NHS seven testbed sites. Technology and housing was covered at the recent Housing LIN conference (summary and presentations now available). What are Echo, Dot and Tap and could they become virtual assistants? (read the article). Finally, we have hundreds of links carefully selected from around 2000 added this month.

Upcoming events include eHealth Week in April, TSA Summit in May, Financial Times digital health in June, the Digital Health and Care Congress in July as well as three events from RSM over the coming weeks.
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1 Main News Items

1.1 DH/OLS look at increasing the adoption of technologies by care self-funders

A joint event organised by the Department of Health and Office of Life Sciences recently looked at the adoption of technology enabled care by adult care self-funders and carers. A series of workshops examined how awareness could be raised of digital and other assistive products and services. We will have to await any action from these central departments, in the meantime you can contribute your thoughts via Survey Monkey or through DH’s Matt Birkenshaw.

Hazel Harper (Innovate UK) and Jim Ellam (Staffordshire County Council) at DH/OLS event

1.2 City University opens Technology Enabled Care Studio

On 23 March 2016, Sir Bruce Keogh officially opened the City University TECS ‘smart home’. The new Technology Enabled Care Studio will provide research and training for students and staff on a wide range of technology available to support people at home.
City TECS is a purpose built learning hub, designed to simulate a home environment.

It is equipped with the latest telehealth, telecare, telemedicine, tele-rehab, mhealth, ehealth and wearable technologies. Video recording facilities are available within the smart home to support learning and practice.

City TECS is designed for health and social care professionals to learn how to use the latest devices and services effectively to facilitate and maintain self-care behaviour change and support self-management in a real world environment.
1.3 Echo, Tap and Dot – what are they?

So, how about if you could speak to a small device in your home and request anything from a pizza to a taxi to a bank statement and you could get an almost instant response? And what about ordering a care visit or scheduling an appointment or getting a medication reminder?

Well, with Amazon Echo (trigger word ‘Alexa’) these are starting to become possible in the U.S.. With a device costing $179, Amazon is aiming to integrate with a number of platforms to make the voice activated experience as seamless as possible. The original Echo has now been joined by Dot (connect to your own separate speakers) and Tap (a portable device).

So, if you can check your Fitbit or bank account details and expect a fast response, why not technology-enabled care services such as home sensor alerts and carer support when you need it? Imagine the conversation - ‘Alexa, I need a care visit please’ and the automatic response ‘Kate will be with you in 7 minutes’.

Alexa then becomes a ‘virtual assistant’ without the need for extensive knowledge of apps and worries about connectivity. It becomes part of the home and learns over time. If it can connect with your bank account and activity tracker, then why not your medical record? If it can connect with IoT home devices like Nest and Wink, then why not your glucose monitor?

Indeed, when connected to personal and home monitors and your health records, a virtual assistant could predict physical and mental health crises and prompt earlier action – for instance, your insulin pump sensor could communicate with your virtual diabetes nurse and await advice, wearables could predict the possibility of a heart attack and call 999.

When will the Amazon products be available in the UK? We don’t know – but it is important to think about the potential use cases in health, housing and social care now.

Links:
Amazon Echo Review (CNET)
Amazon Echo (ZDNET)
1.4 TSA news and updates

Planning is now underway for the 2016 International Technology Enabled Care Conference. The venue moves to the International Convention Centre in Birmingham this year and the dates are Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th October 2016. The conference theme for 2016 is ‘Connected Care, Connected Homes and Connected Communities’. You can enter your details here to sign up for all future TSA newsletters and conference registration announcement and news.

More details and registration options will be announced in April.

Interest in the work of TSA and membership continues to grow. Latest members include ORCHA, the Organisation for the Review of Care and Health Applications and the Innovation Agency, the Academic Health Science Network (AHSN) for the North West Coast, one of 15 AHSN’s set up by NHS England and Lifeline24 which provides personal alarms for the elderly.

These three organisations join more than 50 others who have joined TSA in the last 12 months. Monmouthshire County Council, North East Ambulance Service, Sprue Safety Products Ltd, Docobo, Great Yarmouth Borough Council, Mobius Networks Ltd, MonitorGO Ltd, PA Consulting Group, Scottish Families Affected by Alcohol and Drugs, Spire Homes (LG) Ltd and Tyne and Wear Fire & Rescue Service are amongst the new membership.

TSA members can become accredited to the TSA Integrated Code of Practice. A recent article covers some of the organisations that have been recently inspected including the following:

Aster Living have passed their three year audit inspection for telecare installation and telecare monitoring for operating a variety of services across the southwest including supported and sheltered housing, extra care schemes, domiciliary care, handy person and home improvement agency and assistive living services to approximately 20,000 customers.

New Forest District Council’s community alarm service named Appletree Careline is the latest member to become accredited this year. The team go into customer’s homes to install alarms and answer calls from the control room. The service has over 2,000 private customers and monitors over 800 alarms on behalf of a local charity.

A growing number of 134 TSA members are now accredited to the Code of Practice with many more currently striving to achieve accreditation.

(Contributed by Jeni Quirke from @TSAVoice)
1.5 DHACA news and updates

Following the sell-out DHACA day in January 2016, the next event will be on April 22nd in the conference centre at BIS, 1 Victoria Street, London. The focus of the day will be on customer mapping – understanding how best to sell digital health services & products to the NHS.

On hand we will have presentations from some of the Office of Life Sciences team that were involved with the Accelerated Access Review, as well as Department of Health procurement experts. We will also hope to encourage DHACA members to share their own experiences both of what has worked, and what hasn’t…and making recommendations to the OLS/DH team for how to improve things further.

Booking is now open for the April event. Earlybird booking is also now available for the following event on 29 June at the Catapult Centre in Euston Road, London.

(Contributed by Charles Lowe from DHACA).

1.6 Blog watch – Anne Cooper, Molly Watt and Maneesh Juneja

There are many great UK blogs out there. This month, why not take a look @anniecoops and her article on the Buurtzorg nurses in The Netherlands.

If you still need to be convinced of the importance of digital assistive technologies, then read Molly Watt’s blog (@mollywatttrust and @mollywatttalks). Molly has Usher Syndrome and uses an iPhone, Apple Watch with connected Linx2 hearing aids along with her assistance dog – read about her recent journey to San Francisco with her family including a visit to Apple HQ. Finally, the excellent @maneeshjuneja has an interview with Molly Watt as well as a number of other articles on digital health. All worth following on Twitter too.
1.7 Housing LIN Conference

The Housing LIN's 5th annual conference, 'People Powered Change: A Festival of Ideas', took place on Friday, 11 March 2016 at the KIA Oval, London.

Shaun Ley (Journalist and presenter), Anna Dixon (Centre for Ageing Better), Tom McPhall (Hargreaves Lansdown)

Jeremy Porteus (Housing LIN), Dr Nicola Millard (BT Technology) and Bruce Moore (Housing & Care 21)

To coincide with the conference, the Housing LIN (@housinglin) has published additional resources including a new case study report, Growing Older Together: An Overview of Collaborative Forms of Housing for Older People, and a new viewpoint, Meeting lifestyle aspirations of older consumers.

A summary of the conference together with presentations is now available.
2 News Headlines

2.1 Telecare

**Study:** Developing the assistive technology consumer market for people aged 50–70

Case study - Tunstall Response hosted monitoring solution - via TunstallHealth

Cheshire East Council cut telecare funding - people in sheltered housing expected to pay - via middlewichnews

Tunstall Health and Boots UK go High Street with HomeAssist

Newcastle reduces care funding - people to self-assess/pay directly for services eg telecare - via CommunityCare

Careline jobs to go even though service likely to be saved - via News and Star

The ethics of using cameras in care homes - via NursingTimes

Wrexham Council Announces Changes to Telecare Services - via wrexham

Second national award in 4 months for Hampshire Telecare initiative - via HantsWeb

Technology enabled housing with care: Scenarios via TunstallHealth/HousingLIN
2.2 Telehealth, Mobile Health, Digital Health & Telemedicine

Do Patients Rely on Mobile Healthcare Apps More Than Their Doctors? - via SamsungBizUSA

Researchers: Many current mHealth apps boast little value, usefulness - via FierceHealthIT

We’ve been talking about the Internet of Things all wrong - via thehill

Study shows high patient satisfaction with telemedicine-based care of sleep apnea - via EurekAlertAAAS

Better research required for effective use of telehealth - via FierceHealthIT

Wireless device delivers round the clock life-saving medication for people with diabetes – via MailOnline

Digital medicines march on chronic disease - via nature

NI Health Minister visits Telemonitoring NI Centre - via HealthServiceNI

Upcoming event: FT Digital Health Summit Europe, London, 16 June 2016 - via ftlive

Toyota’s wearable for the blind sees the world through cameras - via engadget

Technology brings doctors, patients together outside the office (article on VA) - via HeraldMailNews

Report: Patients Are Increasingly Using Digital Health to Supplement Doctor Visits (U.S.) - via hitconsultant

Can Digital Health Make Both Patients and Doctors Happier? - via MDDionline

How mobile technology can help join up health and social care systems (Scotland) - via PublicTech

Can mobile apps help to improve our health? - via BBCNews

Patients with HF at Guys & St Thomas use smartphone which monitors their health and alerts nurses - via BTUK

CCG pilots AliveCor smartphone device to reduce stroke risk - via digitalhealth2

16 mobile trends from #MWC16 - via DigitalTrends

**Study**: Developing the assistive technology consumer market for people aged 50–70

**Study**: Predicting 30-120 Day Readmission Risk among Medicare Patients Using Nonmedical Workers and Mobile Technology

New Tools for Family Caregivers—the Promise of Telehealth - via AARP

Carolinas HealthCare monitors Fitbit data to intervene with CHF patients - via MobiHealthNews

Skype increases support for diabetes patients - Newham - via digitalhealth2
JAMA study is the latest to examine health app privacy policies - via MobiHealthNews

Connected Care Platforms Help High-Risk Patients Avoid the ER - via mHealthIntel

Seniors Housing Facilities Slow to Adopt New Technologies (U.S.) - via nreionline

ResolutionCare Proves that Telemedicine Can Thrive in Unlikeliest of Places – At the End of Life - via telemedmag

Patients with Diabetes Benefit from Tele-Behavioral Treatment via MDDIonline

Style icon Iris Apfel is designing fashionable safety-alert bracelets for seniors - via qz

Apple shipped 11.6 million Apple Watches last year, says IDC - via verge

Philips to Unveil Wireless Vital Signs Patch for General Wards - via Medgadget

Can Google’s DeepMind help fix a broken health care system? - via FastCompany

Study: Home monitoring of HF patients at risk for hospital readmission using under-the-mattress piezoelectric sensor

Telepsychiatry is Rising in Popularity, Despite Hurdles - via PsychiatryAdv

Khushi Baby - Digital necklace helps maintain personal vaccination record for children in India - via BBCNews
Blood-Pressure Apps Readings Not Accurate, Says Study - via Medscape

Doctor explains, rates medical and health smartphone apps - via FOX13News

Experts in UX, AI, product design weigh in on next big modality in computing – ‘in-ear’ assistants - via FastCoDesign

**JMIR**: Personalized Telehealth in the Future: A Global Research Agenda


The mPower study, Parkinson disease mobile data collected using ResearchKit - via nature

Health Minister, Simon Hamilton Visits Telemonitoring NI Centre at Fold - via FoldNI

How #DigitalHealth is Opening Up Communication Between Doctors & Patients - via hitconsultant

This Doctor Is Using Telemedicine To Treat Syrian Refugees - by chrissyfarr at FastCompany

Advancing digital health – all about technology, or does change begin with us? – via nhsconfed

Europe: App Developers Working on Privacy Code of Conduct for Mobile Health Applications - via lexology

**Study**: Telemonitoring in patients with chronic respiratory insufficiency: expectations deluded?

Patients in the United States want a heavy dose of digital - but providers don’t always agree - via Accenture

E-observations reduce cardiac arrests in Scottish hospital - via digitalhealth2

Wearable tech may aid sporting injury treatment - via SNWA
A fitness tracker with financial perks - Qualcomm and United Healthcare team up on wearable device - via sdut

Using technology to transform healthcare in Liverpool - via liverpoolccg

Companies will sell employees Apple Watches for $25 to reach health goals - via VentureBeat

Could GPs start offering e-consultations to reduce some 10 minute appointments to 1 minute? - via Telegraph

From Australia: independent evaluation of the Northern Territory’ telehealth trial - via PulseITMagazine

First Derm launches smartphone-connected dermatoscope - via MobiHealthNews

Technology-enabled home health - are consumers ready? - via DeloitteHealth

Hope & Hype in digitising healthcare - video of Bob_Wachter at NuffieldTrust

HSCIC develops Raspberry Pi telehealth kit - via ComputerWeekly

How Stanford achieved 60% telehealth adoption at a primary care clinic - via TheAdvisoryBd
Study: Patient Activation: Prediction of Behavioral Outcomes During a Controlled Telemonitoring Intervention

Virtual home app could help people with dementia – via mashable

Adrian Byrne, IT Director at Southampton NHS looks at gap between hype & reality of health apps - via digitalhealth2

Has Telemedicine Proven its Value? (U.S.) - via mHealthIntel

Surrey and Sussex trust to use patients.co with 3,200 IBD patients - via digitalhealth2

Tablet computers can help boost patient understanding of surgical procedures - via FierceHealthIT

AliveCor launches ECG Apple Watch strap, rebrands product line as Kardia - via MobiHealthNews

InfoBionic receives FDA clearance for cellular-enabled heart monitoring device - via MobiHealthNews

21 clinical trials that are using Fitbit activity trackers right now - via MobiHealthNews

Fitness trackers to study impact of activity, nutrition on adults with joint discomfort - via MobiHealthNews

You have Usher Syndrome & not ventured to local shop alone for 5yrs - can an AppleWatch help? - via mollywatttrust

PatientsLikeMe taps AstraZeneca, Roche for cash to fuse outcomes, clinical and molecular data - via FierceBiotech

Smartphone-connected glucometer Dario launches in US after FDA clearance - via MobiHealthNews

Your next Apple Watch band could warn you of possible stroke – AliveCor’s Kardia band – via engadget

Florida moves forward on telemedicine, Texas remains in the past - via FierceHealthIT

Dial-a-doctor: Aussies go digital to manage health at home - via NBN_Australia

Dario All-In-One Glucometry System Now Available in U.S. - via Medgadget

Smart hearing aids restore the beauty of music to those with hearing loss - via DigitalTrends

Clarius Unveils Wireless, Handheld Ultrasound System with App for Physicians - via hitconsultant

Epic to develop Apple Watch app Limerick, a test results notifier - via MobiHealthNews

Target to launch digital health section of devices in 500 stores - via MobiHealthNews

10 orgs developing assistive living tech to help improve lives of disabled people - via nestauk

Consumers hit gadget-overload in 2016 - via VentureBeat
Study: VA Telemedicine: An Analysis of Cost and Time Savings

How a Fitbit May Make You a Bit Fit – via nytimes

A year on would you still buy an Apple Watch? - Edward Baig in USA Today – via USATODAY

Survey: Usability trumps trustworthiness for consumers’ health website preferences - via MobiHealthNews

FBI warns on risks of car hacking - via BBCNews

How have housing providers adopted TECS/AssistiveTech? Find out in this blog by AliRogan

Nike updates Nike+ app with personalized, in-app Nike store - via MobiHealthNews

2.3 Connected Care, Internet of Things and Smart Homes

Baby necklace keeps personal electronic medical records safe in India - via BBCNews

Peanuts - simple alert devices that connect to your smartphone using Bluetooth Smart - via sense

Gartner Identifies the Top 10 Internet of Things Technologies for 2017 and 2018 – via GartnerInc

People who buy activity-trackers shouldn’t have to be beta testers - via verge

We must do more to enable older age groups to enjoy the benefits of digital - via Ageing Better

Can you take the Internet out of the Internet of Things? - via TechCrunch

Study uses Smartphone Cameras to Measure Respiratory Rate - via iMedicalApps

Patent application could see the Apple Watch calling 911 when it detects a heart-attack - via 9to5mac
The ethics of using cameras in care homes - via NursingTimes

Bosch builds own cloud network for internet of things - via CDANews

AAL smart ageing prize for IoT Innovation - 50,000 Euros - deadline 13 May 2016 - via AAL_Programme

JAMA: Smartphone-Based Conversational Agents & Responses to Questions About Mental Health

Technology and Innovation in Care Homes: The SEHTA UK Review

Will The Internet Of Things Enable Your Kettle To Steal Your Car? - via RealWire

Robert Bosch launches own cloud for Internet of things – via WSJ

Asking Siri or Other Digital Assistants May Not Be Best Idea in Health or Safety Emergency, Study Finds – via ABC

How easy is it to hack a home network? - via BBCNews

Hexoskin smart shirt reviewed: Measuring your vitals so you don’t have to - via arstechnica

Amazon Echo can now inform, motivate Fitbit users - via MobiHealthNews

Security a major issue for 66 per cent of IoT consumers - via ITProPortal

Why The Internet Of Things Might Never Speak A Common Language - via FastCompany

Internet of things needs more innovative business models – via ComputerWeekly

IoT medical device security calls for broader measures (device security at Intermountain) via SearchHealthIT

GPS SmartSole Showcased With Telefónica at CeBIT2016 - via Marketwire

Healthtech
Siri's inventor looks forward to Viv, a giant brain in the sky – via USATODAY

New website - products/suppliers in healthcare, assistive technology and independent living - via ATTodayMag

2.4 Health Tech

Cybersecurity rising as health IT concern - via modrnhealthcr

The challenges of implementing electronic health records at Cambridge Univ Hospitals Trust - via digitalhealth2

We should be more afraid of computers than we are – video - via guardian

Supercomputer copies whole-body blood flow - via BBCNews

Stimulating brain with electricity boosts stroke recovery - via BBCNews

Electrical brain stimulation could boost benefits of stroke rehabilitation - via guardian

10 #DigitalHealth and Medtech Startups That Shone at SXSW2016 - via MDDIonline

4 emerging technologies that could drive digital businesses - via CIOonline

Tech4Good Awards 2016 - deadline 6 May 2016 - via Tech4GoodAwards

Why ResearchStack will be a boon for #mHealthinnovation - via FierceHealthIT

Manchester Shared Care Record adds end-of-life plans - via digitalhealth2

Study uses Smartphone Cameras to Measure Respiratory Rate - via iMedicalApps

How #DigitalHealth is Opening Up Communication Between Doctors & Patients - via hitconsultant

Security and Resilience in #eHealth: Security Challenges and Risks - via ehealthnews

HHS, Epic, Cerner, top five private health systems commit to patient data access - via MobiHealthNews

E-discharges: standard clinical headings for GP summaries required by December 2016 - via digitalhealth2

Queensland hospital first to go digital - via 9NewsAUS

Estonia is using the technology behind bitcoin to secure 1 million health records - via bi_india

Digital innovation in the sharing economy - funding competition - via innovateuk

How HSCIC approached the transition of the data backbone of the health service - 6bn messages pa - via UKAuthority

NI Health Minister launches e-Health and Care Strategy for health and social care service - via HealthServiceNI

NHS pledges £55m to make all GP referrals electronic by 2018 - via GPonlinenews
NHS England announces £55 million cash boost to end hospital referrals by second class post - via NHSEngland

The ethics of using cameras in care homes - via NursingTimes

How real businesses are using machine learning – via TechCrunch

ICIT: Ransomware will wreak havoc in 2016; healthcare already relentlessly targeted - via FierceHealthIT

How the “OpenNotes” Initiative Is Changing the Way Patients and Doctors Work Together - via commonwealthfnd

David Gelernter: When machines think and feel – via WSJ

The problem with a technology revolution designed primarily for men - via qz

Clinical & consumer design principles are colliding, creating a new era of digital health solutions - via Accenture

Inappropriate use of notes field in e-prescribing can cause patient harm - via FierceHealthIT

In-depth: Digital health news recap of HIMSS16 - via MobiHealthNews

A plan to create Britain’s smartest city – via TheEconomist

2.5 Robotics, AI and VR

Robot caregivers to help older people in Japan - via sphasiaone

Study: Trust in Robots During Emergencies May Not Be Wise - via cjournal

Googles DeepMind AI group unveils health care ambitions - via VentureBeat

Googles AI outfit focuses on health tech - via digitalhealth2

Verily Is Building A Google For Medical Information - chrissyfarr - via FastCompany

AlphaGo seals 4-1 victory over Go grandmaster Lee Sedol - via guardian
AlphaGo: its creator on the computer that learns by thinking - via guardian

A Robotic Home That Knows When You’re Hungover - via techreview

The momentous advance in artificial intelligence demands a new set of ethics | Jason Millar - via guardian

Could human-like robots one day help care for people with dementia? – via FoxNews

Long-term effects of virtual reality use need more research, say scientists - via guardian

Sony announces October release for PlayStation virtual reality headset - via guardian

Would you let a robot invest your hard-earned cash? - via BBCNews

Robots in family can read human emotions - via JapanNews

Robot carers for elderly people are another way of dying even more miserably says Michele Hanson - via guardian

How much should we fear the rise of artificial intelligence? | Tom Chatfield - guardian

Could you fall in love with this robot? - Sophia & Geminoid – via CNBC

Robot Revolution: These Are the Breakthroughs You Should Watch - via singularityhub

Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning: Top 100 Influencers and Brands - via Onalytica

Welcome to the robot-based workforce: will your job become automated too? - via guardian

Google argues that if self-driving cars can pass safety tests, they should be legal - via verge

AlphaGo: beating humans is one thing but to really succeed AI must work with them - via guardian

2.6 Policy and guidance, announcements, miscellaneous

How to Leverage Psychology to Build Persuasive Solutions for Healthcare - via hitconsultant

NHS to introduce new £600m financial incentive to improve staff health - via NHSEngland

Stars are aligned for health IT - says George Freeman - via digitalhealth2
Technological change: let us not forget the workforce - Dr Harpreet Sood - via NuffieldTrust

We need a new model of life after 65 and new institutions to enable it - via Telegraph

New website - products/suppliers in healthcare, assistive technology and independent living - via ATToday Mag

Hospital staffing crisis as 40% of consultant posts remain vacant - via guardian

Not enough doctors for 7-day NHS, says Royal College head - via BBCNews

NHS records worst ever performance figures - via guardian

Technology failing to meet needs of older people with hearing and sight problems - via Sensetweets

Patients can play a key role in improving services – Nigel Acheson - via NHSEngland

Poor end-of-life care experienced by estimated 48,000 people last year - charities report - via BBCNews

First-ever hospital hackerspace lets nurses and other HCPs develop patient-care tools - via MotherNatureNet

What will it take for physicians to use patient-generated data? - via medcitynews

Dr Joseph Kvedar: Medical Leadership Needs to Take Lead on New Technologies via AJMCJournal

Care and Support Specialised Housing Fund: phase 2 successful bids - via DHgovuk

Care home offers a step between hospital and home for patients - via guardian
guardian

NHS vanguards – one year on - via TheKingsFund

Contradiction, change and misdiagnosis by Nigel Edwards - via NuffieldTrust

Your data in your hands: Enabling access to health information - via WhiteHouse

Making Technology Easier for Older People to Use – via nytimes

Doctors urge chancellor to increase social care funding - via BBCNews

WHO criticises Europe’s weak strategies for e-health - via PFIntl

Health Coaching and COPD Re-hospitalization: a Randomized Study

Ambulance chief quits after 999 furore - via guardian

Deepening concerns over financial future of national health service (Public Accounts Committee) - via CommonsPAC

Samantha Jones: Only strongest vanguards will get extra transformation funding - via HSJnews

Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland launch manifesto for longer, stronger lives - via ALLIANCEScot
NHS struggling to plug a £22bn funding black hole, says report - via guardian

No convincing plan for NHS to save £22bn, says scathing report - via HSJnews (£ subs)

Connected Councils: A digital vision of local government in 2025 - via nesta

The care homes at the vanguard of better health - via guardian

Preventing excess winter deaths and illness associated with cold homes (QS117) - via NICEcomms

Should NHS pay care homes to look after patients to reduce delayed discharges? – via BBCNews

Northern Ireland: eHealth and Care Strategy - via HealthServiceNI

Motor neurone disease: assessment and management - NICE guidelines [NG42] - via NICEcomms

Thousands of NHS nursing and doctor posts lie vacant - via BBCNews

#HIMSS16 Day 1 Summary and Highlights - including interoperability pledge - via hitconsultant

Survey: Usability trumps trustworthiness for consumers’ health website preferences - via MobilHealthNews

Start active, stay active: report on physical activity in the UK - via DHgovuk

NHS nurse shortages to last another four years – via guardian

NHS to introduce new £600m financial incentive to improve staff health - via NHSEngland

Intermountain innovation chief: Healthcare must have a passion for people - via HC_Finance

Department of Health does not know if personal budgets help service users, report finds – via guardian

Dr Joseph Kvedar: Medical Leadership Needs to Take Lead on New Technologies - via AJMC_Journal

Accenture Reveals Disruptive Forces Driving a New Order in the Healthcare Business Models - via BusinessWire

Care After Cure: Creating a fast track pathway from hospitals to homes - via res_publica

Digital Health Leadership summit: full steam ahead? - via digitalhealth2

Rise in wellbeing in late 60s, survey finds - via BBCNews

Hundreds of young in old peoples care homes - lack of specialist facilities - via BBCNews

NHS to help create healthy new towns - via BBCNews

Delayed discharges could cost NHS £3.3 billion in next five years - via Telegraph

Expo 2016 will take the pulse of our health and care system – Professor Sir Malcolm Grant - via NHSEngland
The vanguards: summed up and explained - via nhsconfed
Cash-strapped hospitals ask for £1.5bn tax rebate - via guardian
Is enough being spent on the NHS? - NickTriggle - via BBCNews
Tech could offer the NHS quick wins - via BBCNews
We’re looking for submissions on topics surrounding care of older adults – Aging and Health series HealthAffairs
Will there really be an extra £10bn for health by 2020/21? - BMA looks at the figures http://gu.com/p/4hyp7/stw via guardian
The curious tale of £22bn NHS efficiency savings – via BBCHughPym
From Australia: With an ageing population is healthcare sustainable? - via smh
NHS officials deny they were pressured to downgrade estimates of how much cash needed – via Independent
Staffing crisis as mental health nurses quit NHS - via Daily_Express
Get Well Soon! - long term prescription for place based health - via NLGNthinktank
Keeping NHS on track demands a 15-year map - Jessica Studdart - via publicfinance
Academics can change the world – if they stop talking only to their peers - via ConversationUK
Has NHS repairs and maintenance funding been cut to pay for staff? (Capital reduced by £1.1bn?) - via guardian
Rise in death rates in older pensioners linked with austerity measures - via LSHTMpress
These are 50 of Europe’s fastest-growing tech companies - via techeu
Budget includes £650 million in secret cuts to the NHS, analysis shows – via Independent
How to see what Google knows about you - via Telegraph
Most deprived town in England is Oldham, ONS study finds - via BBCNews
A&E now overwhelmed says top doc as he calls for army of medics to be sent in - via Telegraph
Mental health – “We must have change” - via BBCHughPym
Seven teams selected to scale up health care improvement - via HealthFdn
How can we improve support for carers? DHgovuk survey
There is little hope that the NHS can avoid a financial crash - RichardVize via guardian
At the heart of health: Realising the value of people and communities - via HealthFdn
People with autism die younger, warns charity - via BBCNews

Will consultants swallow Hunts remedy? - via BBCNews

Physios in surgeries can save GPs time and money - via BBCNews

Launch of ‘Get Well Soon’, the report from place based health commission with NLGnthinktank

15 primary care rapid test sites get new care models cash - via HSJnews (£ subs)

People who cycle, walk or catch train/bus to work keep more weight off than car users - study - via BBCNews

New Models of Care: one year on – Nigel Edwards highlights work in care home vanguard sites - via NuffieldTrust

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The Growth of Digital Patient Engagement - via healthpopuli

Eye risk from overstretched NHS - via BBCNews

Study: Willingness of African American Women to Participate in e-Health/m-Health Research –

Aging-in-place options most popular with baby boomers - via washingtonpost

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These 7 American Cities Will Compete for $40 Million to Create Transportation Utopias - via Gizmodo

Connected Councils: A digital vision of local government in 2025 - via nestauk

Digitising European Industry - via DSMeu
The care homes at the vanguard of better health - #futurenhs - via guardian

3 Learning and Events

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


The TSA Annual Summit 2016 will be held on 19 May 2016 in Manchester


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

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