Welcome to the July 2010 newsletter. The Telecare Learning and Improvement Network (LIN) is responsible for providing general implementation support to organisations building their telecare and telehealth programmes in England. Registered DH Care Networks telecare membership is around 6300. The June newsletter email alert had over 8500 click-throughs.

All telecare newsletters are archived at: www.dhcarenetworks.org.uk/telecarenewsletters

If you are an organisation implementing telecare or telehealth in England and have an interesting local telecare or telehealth story for inclusion in a future newsletter then e-mail Mike Clark at telecare@dhcarenetworks.org.uk

PCT Telehealth Map:
http://maps.google.co.uk/maps/ms?hl=en&ie=UTF8&msa=0&msid=100406857045032193451.00047bfad6341183c8523&ll=54.329338,-1.604004&spn=8.052625,18.676758&z=6

Telecare and Telehealth Evaluation Map:
http://maps.google.co.uk/maps/ms?hl=en&ie=UTF8&msa=0&msid=100406857045032193451.000481bfda3b6cc58babe&ll=52.66972,-1.955566&spn=8.373034,18.676758&z=6

Telecare Services Map:
http://maps.google.co.uk/maps/ms?hl=en&ie=UTF8&msa=0&msid=100406857045032193451.000440c223f16f2d1c9d&ll=52.842595,-1.867676&spn=8.339986,18.676758&z=6

If you would like up to date information about the Whole System Demonstrator Programme and the development of the evidence base for telecare and telehealth then go to www.wsdactionnetwork.org.uk

There is free registration on both web sites:
www.wsdactionnetwork.org.uk/telecare
www.wsdactionnetwork.org.uk

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Headlines for July 2010

Item 1 provides an updated list of important Department of Health announcements about the recent White Paper together with related consultation documents. The proposed changes will have an impact on the commissioning and provision of telecare and telehealth in England.

Item 2 Presentations are now available from the recent Whole System Demonstrator Event in Newcastle together with a new WSDAN briefing paper on “Sustaining Innovation in Telehealth and Telecare”

Item 3 provides a comprehensive listing of news links from the past month covering telecare, telehealth, telemedicine and related areas.

Item 4 provides a diary for telecare and telehealth events and conferences

1 Recent DH announcements and publications

Prepared by Mike Clark

There have been a number of recent announcements from the Department of Health that will start to have an impact on the future arrangements for telecare and telehealth provision in England.

Equity and excellence; Liberating the NHS (White Paper, 12 July 2010)

The NHS White Paper, Equity and excellence: Liberating the NHS, sets out the Government's long-term vision for the future of the NHS. The vision builds on the core values and principles of the NHS - a comprehensive service, available to all, free at the point of use, based on need, not ability to pay. It sets out how the Government will:

- put patients at the heart of everything the NHS does;
- focus on continuously improving those things that really matter to patients - the outcome of their healthcare; and
- empower and liberate clinicians to innovate, with the freedom to focus on improving healthcare services

The Department is consulting on elements of these proposals. Details on how to respond can be found in the White Paper.

Equity and excellence: Liberating the NHS (press release, 12 July 2010)
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Pressreleases/DH_117360

Oral Statement on the NHS White Paper by the Secretary of State for Health, Andrew Lansley (16 July 2010)
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Speeches/DH_117366

Department of Health draft Structural Reform Plan (12 July 2010)

Liberating the NHS: managing the transition (Sir David Nicholson letter and timeline, 13 July 2010)

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Lettersandcirculars/Dearcolleagueletters/DH_117405

Transparency in outcomes - a framework for the NHS (19 July 2010)
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Consultations/Liveconsultations/DH_117583

Liberating the NHS: Improving outcomes for patients (19 July 2010)
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Pressreleases/DH_117628

First step to sustainable care and support system
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Pressreleases/DH_117636

Written ministerial statement on the NHS White Paper consultation (22 July 2010)
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Statements/DH_117743

Liberating the NHS: Increasing democratic legitimacy in health (22 July 2010)
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Consultations/Liveconsultations/DH_117586

Liberating the NHS: commissioning for patients - consultation on proposals (22 July 2010)
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Consultations/Liveconsultations/DH_117587

Greater Freedom for the NHS (26 July 2010)
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Pressreleases/DH_117848
Liberating the NHS: regulating healthcare providers
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Consultations/Liveconsultations/DH_117782

Care Quality Commission’s investigation into GP out-of-hours provider, Take Care Now, reveals serious failings
http://www.cqc.org.uk/newsandevents/newsstories.cfm?FaArea1=customwidgets.content_view_1&cit_id=36433

DH Response to report on out-of-hours services

Direct payments for health care: Information for pilot sites

**2 Whole System Demonstrator Action Network (WSDAN) – Newcastle event – presentations now available (30 June 2010)**

*Prepared by Mike Clark*

Professor Martin Knapp (London School of Economics) and Moira MacKenzie (Joint Improvement Team, Scotland) at the recent event.
Slide presentations are now available from the WSDAN web site together with the first in a series of WSDAN briefing papers on 'Sustaining Innovation in Telehealth and Telecare'.

If you are registered with the WSDAN web site, you can get monthly newsletter information about features and presentations from previous events. The site also hosts the searchable evidence database for telecare and telehealth with over 340 journal articles.

Evidence database: http://kingsfundlibrary.co.uk/wsdan/

Web site: www.wsdactionnetwork.org.uk
eMail: wsdnetwork@kingsfund.org.uk
Twitter: clarkmike
Hashtag: #WSDAN

http://www.wsdactionnetwork.org.uk/past_events/wsdan_roadshow_30.html
3 News and links

News from around the world covering telecare, telehealth and related areas of interest to commissioners, service providers, suppliers and other organisations – prepared by Mike Clark

Calls/Awards

SBRI (NHS South East Coast) – Living well with dementia

Open Date: 30 June 2010
Deadline: 09 September 2010

http://www.innovateuk.org/content/competition/sbri/living-well-with-dementia.ashx

Health Innovation Challenge Fund

- Preliminary application deadline: 1 October 2010 (17.00)
- Shortlisting of proposals: early November 2010
- Full applications submitted: 10 January 2011 (17.00)
- Funding decisions: April 2011

http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Technology-transfer/Awards/Health-Innovation-Challenge-Fund/index.htm

Telecare

MP Queries Angus Increase in Community Alarms
http://dundeesnp.org/index.php/archives/1483

Cardiff Community Alarm Team Praised for their Success
Camden Careline You Tube Video

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aV434lorFCA&feature=youtube_gdata

Guardian angel gadgets

http://www.heraldscotland.com/life-style/real-lives/guardian-angel-gadgets-1.1040628

Good News All Around for Telehealth Projects
http://www.itbusinessedge.com/cm/blogs/weinschenk/good-news-all-around-for-telehealth-projects/?cs=42275

TELECARE AND TELEHEALTH DRIVERS OF CHANGE – TSA Conference

Hft’s smart house showcased at International Carer’s Conference

Telehealth

Telehealth Device Improves Patient Compliance

Study: GlowCaps up adherence to 98 percent
http://mobihealthnews.com/8069/study-glowcaps-up-adherence-to-98-percent/
Telecare Device Improves Patient Compliance (Glowcap)
http://www.informationweek.com/news/healthcare/patient/showArticle.jhtml?articleID=225701358&cid=RSSfeed_IWK_All

Telehealth on Facebook

http://www.facebook.com/pages/Telehealth/112375692111264

2000 additional telehealth systems for North Yorkshire and York patients

Patients get a helping hand from Telehealth
http://www.scarborougheveningnews.co.uk/news/Patients-get-a-helping-hand.6391548.jp

2 000 Additional Telehealth Systems For North Yorkshire And York Patients
http://www.eovmonitor.com/node/37259

Telehealth Tools Seen as Key to VA's Rural Health Care Strategy

Blackburn and NHS Direct pilot wellness - NHS Direct is to pilot its first web and telephone-based support service targeted at patients at risk of developing long term conditions

Another example of telehealth benefits (UK)

Taking telehealth from pilot to mainstream in Scotland

Argyll telehealth scheme highly commended

Breakthroughs in Medication Management – Automatic Pill Dispensers and Medication Compliance
Norfolk conference hears of telemedicine revolution
http://www.edp24.co.uk/content/edp24/news/story.aspx?brand=EDPOnline&category=News&tBrand=EDPOnline&tCategory=xDefault&itemId=NOED28%20Jun%202010%2020%3A58%3A157

Telehealth stories (Isle of Bute)
http://www.patientvoices.org.uk/telehealth.htm

Bosch Healthcare launches independent telehealth project in the UK
http://www.hospitaliteurope.com/default.asp?title=BoschHealthcarelaunchesindependenttelehealthprojectintheUK&page=article.display&article.id=22050

Argyll telehealth scheme highly commended

NHS Lothian deploys Intel's Health Guide
http://www.e-health-insider.com/Features/item.cfm?appTimeOut=yes&docId=284

Detect Your Heart Beat from a Meter Away...
http://www.medgadget.com/archives/2010/06/detect_your_heart_beat_from_a_meter_away.html

Dealing with the downturn: using the evidence

Can technology help with the ageing population crisis? (White Paper)

Will Smart Phones disrupt the telehealth market?
http://blog.cambridgeconsultants.com/wireless-medical/will-smart-phones-disrupt-the-telehealth-market/

Healthvault in the UK

http://www.healthvault.co.uk/

Devices that work with Healthvault:
http://www.healthvault.co.uk/industry/devices.aspx?type=device
New Smart Meter Telecare project  

Non-contact sensors set to transform telecare heart monitoring  
http://www.sinc.co.uk/news/?p=590

Study protocol: home-based telehealth stroke care: a randomized trial for veterans  
http://7thspace.com/headlines/349432/study_protocol_home_based_telehealth_stroke_care_a_randomized_trial_for_veterans.html

Colorado makes big push for telehealth  

Positive impacts of telecare – RTE video  
http://www.slideshare.net/Netwell/rte-telehealth

Telehealth Tools Seen as Key to VA’s Rural Health Care Strategy  

Telehealth technology is increasingly important to US Veterans  

Continua Health Alliance Promotes the Use of In-Home Healthcare to the House Committee on Veterans Affairs Subcommittee on Health
http://www.businesswire.com/portal/site/home/permalink/?ndmViewId=news_view&newsId=2010070105343&newsLang=en

Telehealth Access Centre (Quebec)  
http://www.telehealthaccess.com/english.html

Dunbar Medical Centre launches First Patient Care Messaging in Scotland  

Telehealth Program Mitigates Depression, Pain for Cancer Patients  

A telehealth integrated asthma-COPD service for primary care: a proposal for a pilot feasibility study in Crete, Greece  
http://7thspace.com/headlines/350737/a_telehealth_integrated_asthma_copd_service_for_primary_care_a_proposal_for_a_pilot_feasibility_study_in_crete_greece.html

NHS Central Lancashire pioneers new home health monitoring technology for chronically ill patients  
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The first iPhone medical device: Jazz meter?

http://mobihealthnews.com/8316/the-first-iphone-medical-device-jazz-meter/

Switch on - the case for telehealth (KPMG)
http://www.kpmg.co.uk/pubs/beforepdf.cfm?PubID=3303

Nursing Times – telehealth articles

The Nursing Times of 6 July 2010 covered Cornwall/WSD Programme and the Orchard Medical Centre in Bristol (subscription required)
Health Guide gets first English trial – Central Lancashire

General

White House Announces $795M for Broadband, Telemedicine
http://www.ihealthbeat.org/articles/2010/7/2/white-house-announces-795m-for-broadband-telemedicine.aspx

Forbes - Nine Technologies To Ease Pain Of Getting Old

CMS Telehealth Partners with MedApps® for Personalized Healthcare Management of Chronic Conditions

Brain 'pacemaker': Smarter Parkinson's care?
http://news.cnet.com/8301-17938_105-20010154-1.html

Health-care overhaul includes pilot program of house calls for elderly patients
http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/07/12/AR2010071204185.html
Telefónica opens global e-health unit to curb expenses in Europe, Latin America http://cl.exct.net/?qs=d605e9d8df4b2d1c1c26319d9382d4a82d605e0b3292ca200bb4a899b51cb48e

UK does well on end of life care - Technology will be an increasingly important element in delivering end-of-life care at home, according to an analysis which found the UK has one of the best systems for palliative care in the world. http://www.ehiprimarycare.com/news/6086/uk_does_well_on_end_of_life_care

VA mobile gets boost from House panel, advances plans for patient Wi-Fi http://www.fiercemobilehealthcare.com/story/va-mobile-gets-boost-house-panel-advances-plans-patient-wi-fi/2010-06-29#ixzz0u1ntAZsf


Telemedicine Trialed for Obstetric Consultations http://www.healthleadersmedia.com/content/TEC-253489/Specialists-use-telemedicine-for-pregnancy-consultations#


Translation and a 'home hub' http://www.smarthealthcare.com/mics-passivsystem-07jul10


Apps for health issues http://www.delawareonline.com/article/20100706/HEALTH/7060309/1006/NEWS

No Clear Consensus on Telemedicine Market Size http://lifestyletom.com/path/rao10925686858ros/roin59012541846


People with diabetes are living longer, but death rates still outpace the general population (USA) http://latimesblogs.latimes.com/booster_shots/2010/06/diabetes-death-rates-mortality-improving-.html
An app a day keeps the doctor away

Raising the Quality of Care - Primary Care leadership in Milton Keynes
http://www.qualitymk.nhs.uk/default.asp?ContentID=4498

Tobii eye tracking glasses may find application in assistive technology

The Ultimate Telemedicine Tweak to dSLRs: Cancer Detection

It’s mHealth but will it be a Revolution?

Barking Up A New Tree - Changes in the way healthcare services are paid from fee-for-service to single payment mechanisms create vast new opportunities for telemedicine but shift the decision makers that govern adoption and market expansion. (John Linkous, ATA)

Why social media is good medicine for healthcare

Backing for single legal framework for adult care assessment
http://www.communitycare.co.uk/Articles/2010/07/02/114830/backing-for-single-legal-framework-for-adult-care-assessment.htm

Study protocol: home-based telehealth stroke care: a randomized trial for veterans
http://www.trialsjournal.com/content/11/1/74

Webinar presents telehealth data and recommendations

How Personal Health Budgets keep Sandie "dancing on the stars" - A Norfolk woman has told how her Personal Health Budget has enabled her to regain control of her life.
http://www.norfolk.nhs.uk/node/1728

Healthcare Mobile Devices Forecast To Gain 7%

Some doctors join Facebook, Twitter; others wary

Introducing HealCam
Please Don't Squeeze The Handles: Newly Patented Electronic Braking System Prevents Slips On Walkers
http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/articles/193909.php

X PRIZE Foundation Aims to Put Virtual Physician in Every Pocket

New tool to rule out coronary heart disease in primary care

Biosensors Comfortable Enough to Wear 24-7 - A new kind of sensor could allow for long-term medical monitoring--without direct skin contact.
http://www.technologyreview.com/biomedicine/25701/

Efficiency Savings, Not Cuts in Healthcare
http://ablemagazine.co.uk/efficiency-savings-not-cuts-in-healthcare/

Map of medicine - Diabetes - suspected in adults
http://eng.mapofmedicine.com/evidence/map/diabetes1.html

Map of medicine – falls
http://healthguides.mapofmedicine.com/choices/map/falls1.html


NEJM: Sensor-Augmented Pump Therapy Shows Promise in Diabetes Study

New OneTouch Delica Lancing System for More Comfortable and Gentle Glucose Testing

Officials, Health Care Providers Working To Reduce Patient Readmissions in California

Two million more Britons come online in last 12 months
http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/technology/10448204.stm

Apps for health issues
http://www.delawareonline.com/article/20100706/HEALTH/7060309/1006/NEWS

iBreathe: T2 Develops Mobile Application for Stress Reduction
Excessive treatment of COPD increases health risks, costs for patients

COPD to become third largest cause of death

Broadband investments to boost 900 healthcare facilities (USA)

Families at risk as full-time carers numbers double (Carers UK)
http://www.carersuk.org/Newsandcampaigns/News/Familiesatriskasfull-timecarersnumbersdouble

Elderly carers: how will the state cope when they are gone? - More than 150,000 learning disabled adults are living with carers aged 70-plus
http://www.guardian.co.uk/society/2010/jun/30/learning-disabled-adults-elderly-carers

Philips tests home health care devices - research efforts explore heart, elderly falls

Response to the UCL Evaluation report on Summary Care Records

The perils of privatised health records
http://www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/libertycentral/2010/jun/22/dangers-privatisation-online-health-records?CMP=twt_gu

Philips Innovation Facilitates Development Of Wireless Home Healthcare Devices

A Kitchen Countertop with a Brain
http://www.technologyreview.com/computing/25694/?a=f

Mobile Telemedicine Health Solution GluCoMo to be Launched by Artificial Life

UnitedHealth tries to catch the telemedicine wave

UnitedHealth bets big on building national telemedicine network

TeleCare 3.0TM a Telemedicine Platform for Health Plans is launched by Consult A Doctor
http://www.energysavingweekly.com/telecare-3-0tm-a-telemedicine-platform-for-health-plans-is-launched-by-consult-a-doctor/
Life expectancy gap 'is widening'
http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/health/10475835.stm

NHS Great Yarmouth and Waveney awarded for supporting long-term illness
http://www.hospitalhealthcare.com/default.asp?title=NHSGreatYarmouthandWaveneyawardedforsupportinglong-termillness&page=article.display&amp;article.id=21969

The potential of the Internet for health communication: The use of an interactive on-line tool for diabetes risk prediction

Mayo Clinic, University Of Illinois Announce Research Alliance - The collaboration will focus on technology-based healthcare, individualized medicine, telehealth and point-of-care clinical tools

'Smart' Implantable Devices Could Transform Heart Disease Care

VA mobile health apps empower vets, improve outcomes

Dr Foster has looked at the readmission to hospitals issue. Number one area for readmissions within 28 days is COPD - 22.7% end up back in hospital.

NICE Guidance on COPD - GPs must confirm a diagnosis of COPD with post-bronchodilator spirometry, and the NICE grading of COPD, into patients with mild, moderate, severe and very severe disease, has been updated to bring it into line with the GOLD classification system.
http://guidance.nice.org.uk/CG101
http://www.pulsetoday.co.uk/story.asp?sectioncode=35&amp;storycode=4126383&amp;c=2

$8 million project to test telemedicine for elderly

Giving GPs budgets for commissioning: What needs to be done?
http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/publications/giving_gps_budgets.html

Health Select Committee to look at funding of long term care
http://www.communitycare.co.uk/Articles/2010/06/24/114785/mps-to-probe-long-term-care-funding.htm

ViSi Mobile Wireless Vitals Monitoring System

Personalized Medicine: Are We There Yet?
Falls amongst the elderly cost the NHS millions daily
http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/health/10353642.stm

Population continues to age - There were 12 million men and women aged over 65 and 60 respectively in 2009, according to the Office for National Statistics. It means there are more pensioners than young people aged under 16, which stands at 11.5 million, as the country's population continues to age. The number of people aged 85 or over has more than doubled since 1981 to stand at 1.4 million. http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/uknews/law-and-order/7852423/Population-continues-to-age.html

Magnets can improve Alzheimer’s symptoms, study finds
http://www.telegraph.co.uk/health/healthnews/7850789/Magnets-can-improve-Alzheimers-symptoms-study-finds.html

NICE: Type 2 diabetes (partially updated by CG87)
http://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/index.jsp?action=byId&o=11983

Health Secretary speech to NHS Confederation (24 June 2010)

Medicines vending machine dispenses prescriptions

Summer heat may mean trouble for diabetics (USA)

Emergency hospital admissions ‘unsustainable’ for NHS
http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/health/10490508.stm

Patients to receive NHS cash payments in personal budget pilots
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Pressreleases/DH_117040

Andrew Lansley’s speech to the BMA (1 July 2010)

Building high-quality commissioning - What role can external organisations play? (King’s Fund)
http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/publications/building.html

What future for world class commissioning?
http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/blog/what_future_for.html

NICE Quality Standards announced
NICE quality standards are a set of specific, concise statements that act as markers of high-quality, cost-effective patient care, covering the treatment and prevention of different diseases and conditions.

- Stroke
- Dementia
- Venous thromboembolism (VTE) prevention

More NICE quality standards are in development and will be published during 2010/11.

http://www.nice.org.uk/aboutnice/qualitystandards/qualitystandards.jsp

DH Response to reports that many people are unknowingly suffering from type 2 diabetes

More than a million people do not know they have diabetes

NHS Information Centre - Personal Social Services Survey of Adult Carers in England - 2009-10


Five million adults 'act as carers'

Tackling inequalities in life expectancy in areas with the worst health and deprivation (NAO report)

Response to the Nuffield Trust report about the rise in emergency admissions (DH, 7 July 2010)

*In response to a report from the Nuffield Trust suggesting there has been a 12% rise in hospital admissions over the last 5 years, costing the NHS an additional £330m per year, Health Secretary Andrew Lansley said:*

'We need a more integrated approach to NHS care. It's better for patients and it's also cost effective. It's an approach which would ensure patients are not treated like drones in a production line but are given the best care at every point of their journey.

'That's why we are introducing changes to the tariff to cover re-ablement and post-discharge support, including social care. This creates real opportunities for hospitals to work with GPs and Local Authorities and requires the full engagement of the wider health and care economy before discharging patients. It will encourage the use of services such as community health services; social care; home adaptations (including telecare), and extra-care housing. This will contribute to improved patient outcomes and significantly reduce the risk of emergency re-admission into hospital.'
Jessica Lee: To ask the Secretary of State for Health what options will be available to patients for the receipt of payments under the Direct Payment Scheme.

Mr Burstow: Under the personal health budget pilot programme, individuals either have a bank account to receive payment or are given a pre-paid card. Most pilot sites plan to offer one method of payment but some may decide to offer a choice of these two payment options.

If individuals already receive social care direct payments or other similar funds, such as money from the independent living fund, they may use the same bank account for their direct payment for healthcare. Otherwise, a separate bank account will need to be set up to ensure the money is kept separate from the person's other resources.

Andrew Lansley - ‘The principles of social care reform’

"Today there are around 6 million adults in the UK providing unpaid care and support to family members or friends – that’s one in ten people.

In 30 years time that number will be 9 million. A 50 per cent increase.

In England, 1 million people provide care for 50 or more hours per week – a third of those carers are themselves over 65 years old.

Already one in six carers – again, a million people – have given up work to care.

And the situation is not going to get better. Today for every one person in retirement there are four people working – in 20 years time that ratio will fall to just one for three.

The system must be reformed – and in doing so we must be clear about the principles on which reform should be based."
First – prevention. We must place renewed emphasis on keeping people as independent as possible, for as long as they feel able, not least by providing earlier support. People need to feel help is there as soon as problems occur.

And we’ve made some good progress on this. We’ve changed the rules already so that hospitals are responsible for patients for 30 days after discharge – integrating the care that is provided in hospitals and in the community, giving the hospital a stake in the quality of reablement support for people as they return home.

Second – protection. We have to ensure that people do not have to worry about becoming vulnerable – that the support they need is there, that they will be safe and secure – so they don’t feel that everything they’ve worked for throughout their lives can be compromised by the care needs they could develop.

Third – partnership. We must ensure patients carers, families and communities can work together with health, care and support services – so that services can respond to the whole picture of a family’s circumstances, rather than just considering their own specific area of expertise or responsibility. We need a partnership between the family and the state – balancing collective solidarity with state support.

Fourth – personalisation. We must give people control of their own care, so they can choose services that best meet their needs. So that carers, and the people they care for, feel they are in charge.”


Martha Lane Fox plan to get all Britons online
http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/technology/10575266.stm

£4 million boost to give patients control of their health care – personal health budgets
http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Pressreleases/DH_117476

Direct payments for health care: Information for pilot sites

DH Response to report on out-of-hours services

Quality, Innovation, Productivity and Prevention (QIPP) – link to White Paper

Building the evidence base in pre-hospital urgent and emergency care: a review of research evidence and priorities for future research

Housing benefits – information for local authority staff
http://www.dwp.gov.uk/local-authority-staff/housing-benefit/
Ageing Well web site

http://www.idea.gov.uk/idk/core/page.do?pageId=20344655

Journals

Study targets patient safety (COPD)

Association of Corticosteroid Dose and Route of Administration With Risk of Treatment Failure in Acute Exacerbation of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
http://jama.ama-assn.org/cgi/content/abstract/303/23/2359

Diabetes patients admitted for acute exacerbations of COPD have longer hospital stay
http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2010-06/w-dpa062110.php

Obesity and diabetes: the links and common approaches

Cell Phone + PHR = Diabetes Management

Poor Control of Diabetes May Be Linked to Low Vitamin D
http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2010/06/100621091209.htm

Use and utility of a 24-hour Telephone Support Service for 'high risk' patients with COPD
http://www.thepcrj.org/journ/view_article.php?article_id=721

Telephone calls from a nurse case manager helped reduce medical costs and hospital admissions for older type 2 diabetes patients
http://www.medpagetoday.com/MeetingCoverage/ENDO/20769

Daily mood, shortness of breath, and lung function in asthma: Concurrent and prospective associations
http://www.jpsychores.com/article/PIIS0022399910002199/abstract?rss=yes

Pharmacists reduce CV risk in diabetes
http://www.pulsetoday.co.uk/story.asp?sectioncode=23&storycode=4126457&c=2
GPs worried about effect of therapy in older diabetes patients
http://www.pulsetoday.co.uk/story.asp?storycode=4126440

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4 Diary for telecare and telehealth events and conferences

**September**
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE EFORTT PROJECT Ageing with technologies 13-14 Sep 2010
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Taking charge: evidence for self care in the UK

The next SDO Network interactive learning seminar will feature health service researchers and health and social care leaders sharing and discussing the latest evidence on self care. Birmingham – 21 September 2010

**October**
Healthcare IT Exchange 2010
3-5 October 2010 [http://www.healthcareitexchange.co.uk/](http://www.healthcareitexchange.co.uk/)

NHS Innovation Expo (Excel Centre) – 6/7 October 2010 – *postponed until March 2011*

Enabling cost-effective management of long-term conditions - Mainstreaming telecare and telehealth
The King’s Fund 19 October 2010
[http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/events/enabling.html](http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/events/enabling.html)

Mobile Health Expo, Las Vegas 19-21 October 2010

2010 Connected Health Symposium - October 21-22 2010

**November**
mHealth Summit 2010 – 8-10 November 2010, Washington

Global Telehealth 2010 (GT2010) – 10-12 November 2010, Perth, WA

UK Dementia Congress 2010, 9-11 November at the Bournemouth International Centre.


National Telecare & Telehealth Conference 2010 15-17 November 2010, London
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February
The Third International Conference on eHealth, Telemedicine, and Social Medicine
http://www.wikicfp.com/cfp/servlet/event.showcfp?eventid=10262&copyownerid=11691
http://www.iaria.org/conferences2011/eTELEMED11.html

March
International congress on Telecare and Telehealth, The King’s Fund 2-3 March 2010
http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/events/telecaretelehealth.html

The Foundation for Assistive Technology (FAST) provides a full listing of forthcoming telecare events – see http://www.fastuk.org/services/events.php?pg=2. Suppliers also run telecare and telehealth events – check their web sites regularly for dates.

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