Editor’s Comment:
Welcome to the November 2011 ALIP newsletter. Firstly a big thank you to all of you who completed our survey recently. The results have been analysed and the changes will start to be introduced from next month (December) however we can now confirm that the newsletter will remain a monthly publication in future.

The DALLAS (Delivery of Assisted Living Lifestyles and Scale) open innovation process continues to be a focus for the Assisted Living Innovation Platform (ALIP) and the Technology Strategy Board team is hard at work ensuring that the communities which will be funded under this programme will be up and running next summer. We will keep readers updated on the progress of this programme.

David Calder, KT4i project Manger

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The NHS has published the Operating Framework for 2012/13 which has a number of telecare and telehealth references. No particular funding is identified.

The Operating Framework sets the priorities for the NHS for the next financial year. This is a period of rapid change with the setting up of the NHS Commissioning Board and Clinical Commissioning Groups. Some NHS funding is available to local social care authorities.

The references to telecare and telehealth link to the management of long term conditions (which uses up to 70% of NHS services) and QIPP (Quality, Innovation, Productivity and Prevention) – the challenge to find £20bn of efficiency savings by 2014/15.

In a speech today (24 November 2011), NHS Chief Executive identified ‘Innovation’ (the ‘I’ of QIPP) as one of four main themes for next year and a separate report is being prepared on this subject. He made references to telehealth and telemedicine as being examples of innovation.

Here are the specific excerpts from the published framework.

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“…The role of innovation, too often the forgotten element of QIPP, will be critical. Rapidly spreading changes that improve quality and productivity to all parts of the NHS will be crucial: a clear example is the use of telehealth to improve services for patients with long term conditions. We must also
create the right conditions for rapid diffusion of good practice and the forthcoming Innovation Review will set out specific measures to achieve this”.

Page 16 Section Long Term Conditions (Section 2.22)

Telehealth and telecare offer opportunities for delivering care differently but also more efficiently. Use of both of these technologies in a transformed service can lead to significant reductions in hospital admissions and lead to better outcomes for patients. Using the emerging evidence base from the Whole System Demonstrator programme, PCT clusters working with local authorities and the emerging CCGs should spread the benefits of innovations such as telehealth and telecare as part of their ongoing transformation of NHS services. They should also take full consideration of the use of telehealth and telecare as part of any local reconfiguration plans.

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Risk stratification, care planning, patient involvement and supported self-care can transform the care of people with long term conditions and prevent the need for some reactive, expensive acute based care. This is particularly true where there is strong integration between the NHS and Social Care and existing resources, such as specialist community based nurses, are effectively used to meet the needs of patients with multiple long term conditions. Providing services supported by telehealth and telecare delivered at scale can maximise benefits for individual patients.

Page 41 Joint working with local authorities (Section 4.36)

4.36 PCT clusters will need to work together with local authorities to agree jointly on priorities, plans and outcomes for investment of the monies allocated for re-ablement in 2012/13. This could include: current services such as telecare, community directed prevention (including falls prevention), community equipment and adaptations, and crisis response services.

November Newsletter In-Brief:

This month the HealthTech and Medicines Knowledge Transfer Network (HTMKTN) were invited to update a European audience in Brussels about the unique knowledge transfer model operated in the UK at the European Innovation Partnership for Active and Healthy Ageing. One of the objectives for Knowledge Transfer for Implementation (KT4I), is to broaden our engagement with international markets in order to help UK expertise in telecare and telehealth and the associated services to find and develop new business opportunities. This pilot project is a new venture for the European Commission which to some extent replicates the UK model for ‘challenge led’ innovation. Success with this approach could shape the future funding landscape for collaborative R&D, and it’s really great to see the UK at the centre of this initiative.

Another successful Telecare Services Association (TSA) annual conference has come and gone but no sign of the Whole System Demonstrator (WSD) results – just a brief presentation from Professor Stanton Newman on reasons why people may not wish to use the technology based on analysis from the trial participants.
Detailed presentations were expected at the eHealth and Telemed 2011 Conference (‘Raising the standard – improving care, cutting costs’) in London on 28-29 November 2011, but the WSD element of the programme has been replaced. Although the WSD results are still imminent, indications are that the Department of Health needs to complete some internal arrangements prior to publication.

If you missed the TSA Conference, there are some useful summaries at Telecare Aware.

The DALLAS (Delivering Assisted Living Lifestyles at Scale) Programme has reached an important stage as 17 community seeds (from the 70 people selected) presented their outline proposals at a workshop in Manchester on 10 November 2011. There will be 3-5 DALLAS communities eventually covering up to 50,000 people running for three years from June 2012.

Presentations and videos from the Manchester workshops are now available. In addition, a useful summary from the Birmingham DALLAS interoperability workshop is now also available.

The deadline for community seed proposals was 23 November 2011 and invitations to the January 2012 workshop will be sent out on 16 December 2011.

Finally, until we have reviewed the recent survey responses fully, we are keeping this newsletter running on a monthly basis with weekly lists of interesting articles and links. Thank you to everyone who took the time out to respond in such detail. This is much appreciated.

If you would like to catch up on news weekly, then go to the following link:
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If you would like daily information, then a Twitter stream is now available at:
http://www.telecarelin.org.uk/News/twitterStream/

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DH: Long term health conditions 2011: research study
This report (just announced but linked to an April 2011 document) presents the results of the third and final wave of a three-wave tracking study commissioned by the Department of Health with Ipsos MORI. The aims of the research programme were to exploring attitudes towards ‘self-care’ and, more specifically:
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HealthTech and Medicines KTN - HealthTech Showcase for Universities & Business
30 November University of Nottingham
http://ukifhealthtech.meeting-mojo.com/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=Medilink+East+Midlands&utm_campaign=HealthTech+Event+for+Universities+%26+Business&utm_content=booking&dm_i=185,LKUO,3U3BFQ,1QZ5C,1

mHealthcon 1 December 2011, New Brunswick
http://mhealthcon.com/ (@mhealthcon #mhealthcon)

Mobile Strategy for pharma  London 1-2 December 2011
http://www.eyeforpharma.com/mobile/

2011 mHealth Summit December 5–7, 2011—National Harbor, MD
http://www.mhealthsummit.org/

Le Web Paris 7-9 December 2011
http://www.leweb.net/
SLAM Conference: Unescorted: Buddi Tracker One Year On... 9th December 2011, London

CES 2012 Las Vegas 10-13 January 2012
http://www.cesweb.org/

The First Workshop on Telemedicine on Obesity, Overweight and Eating Disorders TELEMEDOB 2012 January 30 - February 4, 2012 - Valencia, Spain
http://www.iasi.org/conferences2012/TELEMEDOB.html#RegistrationForm

Fifth International Conference on Telehealth, Innsbruck, Austria 15-17 February 2012
http://www.iasted.org/conferences/home-765.html

Telehealth, telemedicine and telecare: Introductory one-day seminar RSM, London 23 February 2012
http://www.rsm.ac.uk/academ/tec03.php

GSMA Mobile World Congress 2012 Fira Barcelona · February 27 - March 1, 2012
http://www.mobileworldcongress.com/

The Kings’ Fund - International Congress on Telehealth and Telecare 6-8 March 2012 (early booking announced)
http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/events/international.html

SXSW interactive Austin 9-13 March 2012
http://sxsw.com/interactive

Georgia Partnership for TeleHealth 2012 Annual Spring Conference 14-16 March 2012
http://www.gatelehealth.org/

AAAI 2012 Spring Symposia 27 March 2012 Stanford University

Medetel/THE INTERNATIONAL eHEALTH, TELEMEDICINE AND HEALTH ICT FORUM Luxembourg 18-20 April 2012
http://www.medetel.lu/index.php


ATA 2012 29 April – 1 May 2012 San Jose
http://www.americantelemed.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageID=3863

Global Connected Care Conference and 3rd MediTour Expo May 6–8, 2012—Las Vegas, NV
http://www.meditourexpo.net/
Section 6: Links

Dallas partnership pool
https://ktn.innovateuk.org/web/dallas/articles/-/blogs/dallas-partnership-pool

DALLAS _Connect Sub Group
Join the Sub Group at:
https://ktn.innovateuk.org/web/dallas

Telecare Learning and Improvement Network
www.telecarelin.org.uk

New King’s Fund web site
http://www.kingsfund.org.uk/topics/technology_and_telecare/index.html

Telecare Aware
www.telecareaware.com

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