

## THAMES VALLEY CANCER ALLIANCE BULLETIN #19 – MAY 2021

Please note that documents referenced in this bulletin; are all available on our [NHS Futures workspace](#)

### NEWS FROM THE ALLIANCE

- Welcome to our **two new members of the Alliance team!** Nadia Smith and Marc Cadwaladr. Nadia joined the team last month bringing with her 7 years of professional analytics experience. Prior to working at the Alliance, Nadia worked within the Care Quality Commission's intelligence unit focusing on mental health risk and improvement. Nadia's role is to lead on the production, development and promotion of a range of statistical/information services that support the priorities of the Alliance.  
Marc also joined us in April 2021. Prior to joining the Alliance, Marc worked as a Project Manager for OUH and Oxfordshire County Council, working on wide ranging change management and transformation projects. Within the Alliance Marc is responsible for supporting Primary Care on Prevention and Earlier Diagnosis of cancer. This includes leading on cancer awareness campaigns, GP education events and quality improvement projects.
- **QIS Toolkit Updated version:** Please note that the QIS toolkit has been updated. You can access the toolkit [via this link](#).
- **Cancer Rehab Team** are running a virtual session about 'Managing Fatigue/Breathlessness' **Tues 11th May 2021** from 2pm to 3pm. Please see the [flyer in our workspace or joining details](#).  
***Future Sessions Planned:***
  - Tuesday 18/05/2021 2-3pm Support available for Unpaid Carers
  - Tuesday 25/05/2021 2-3pm Psychosexual Concerns & Cancer
- Patient experience and input to how we improve cancer services is an important part of everything we do. **We are inviting patients to join our involvement group** to share their experiences with us. Please see the [flyer in our workspace](#) and could we ask you to share this with your teams and with any patients you think might be interested in getting involved.

### OTHER CANCER UPDATES

- Save the Date: **Oncology Professional Care virtual education event.** Taking place 9-10 June 2021 between 12pm and 5.30pm. The event will be streamed live and is tailored for Oncologists, Radiologists, Haematologists, Specialist Nurses, Specialist Pharmacists, Chemotherapy professionals, Cancer Services Managers, all oncology professionals. Free to attend, please click the link to book your space: <https://www.oncologyprofessionalcare.co.uk/thamesvalleyca>
- [Let's Communicate Cancer](#) – the British Oncology Pharmacy Association (BOPA) has released free e-learning resources aimed at community pharmacy staff. Covering the basics through to more detailed elements, the aim is to give pharmacy teams the confidence to support cancer patients from early diagnosis through treatment. To access [click here](#).
- **Specialty guidance for cancer** is on the NICE website on their Covid-19 pages: <https://www.nice.org.uk/covid-19/specialty-guides>

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