



Bath and North East Somerset,
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Integrated Care Board



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People and Communities Bulletin



Latest updates and engagement opportunities across your community



Unpaid carers experience of mental health during the Covid-19 pandemic

Healthwatch BANES and Healthwatch Swindon worked with NHS England and NHS Improvement to support the delivery of NHSE&I's commitment to the carers learning pandemic legacy project.

The project was carried out between February and April 2022 and included an online survey, paper questionnaire and direct engagement sessions to provide a snapshot people's feedback. This engagement was across the Carers Centre in Swindon and BANES and health and social care services, including those in the voluntary sector, which played a key role in providing support during the Covid-19 pandemic.

[Find out more and download the report](#)

People who use equipment service invited to join new forum

Healthwatch Wiltshire have joined forces with Medequip to launch the Independent Living Open Forum, to hear what local people think about the Wiltshire Community Equipment Service which helps people to live more independently at home.

The forum, taking place from 10:30am-12pm on Wednesday 16 November, is open to anyone who uses the service, or cares for someone that does. This free event will provide a friendly space for people to share their views and experiences with the frontline staff of Medequip. The forum will take place at the Independent Living Centre in Semington, and can be attended either in person or via Zoom.

[Find out more and register](#)



Sign up for Wiltshire SVPP's safeguarding week

The Wiltshire Safeguarding Vulnerable People Partnership are launching a programme of online events running from 14-18 November 2022. These events are open to all those working with children, adults and families, and these events include some of the following topics:

- Understanding eating disorders
- Transitional safeguarding workshop
- Understanding exploitation
- What young people think of LGBTQ+ support in Wiltshire
- Making safeguarding personal

[Read the full list of events on offer and register today](#)

Covid-19 information

Information about Covid-19 vaccinations

If you have any queries about the Covid-19 vaccination please check the frequently asked questions section of our website, which is being refreshed and updated regularly.

[Frequently asked questions](#)

Press releases

Read the latest news from across BSW ICB

[Health leaders make urgent vaccination appeal as bookings for Covid-19 jab fall](#)

[Covid-19 vaccination total hits 2.5 million but health leaders say still more to do](#)

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