



**Bath and North East Somerset,
Swindon and Wiltshire**
Integrated Care Board



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People and Communities Bulletin



Latest updates and engagement opportunities across your community

Join the Swindon Falls and Bone Health focus group and share your experiences

As part of the Swindon Falls and Bone Health Collaborative work, a patient focus group is being set up to include people's thoughts and experiences into ongoing work to reduce the risk of falling, and to support the aims of:

- 1: Reducing avoidable falls and the number of hospital admissions due to a fall
- 2: Reducing the rate of hip fractures due to a fall
- 3: Reducing the number of inpatient falls in hospital
- 4: Promoting activity, especially that improving strength and balance, independence and improved quality of life for the population
- 5: Improving outcomes for people who have sustained a fracture

Initially a single focus group is to be set up to allow suggestions on how current provisions and support can be improved. If enough interest is received, there may be opportunity in the future to involve patients further in a regular advisory group.



If this is something that interests you, please send an email to bswicb.quality@nhs.net

Find out more about falls prevention



Join the Healthwatch online Mental Health Forum

Healthwatch Wiltshire's online Wiltshire Mental Health Forum provides a safe space for people to speak directly to those who run mental health services in Wiltshire, talking about their experiences and sharing their ideas for ways services could be improved.

The forum is a collaboration between Healthwatch Wiltshire, service users and Avon & Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust (AWP) and is supported by a range of organisations including Wiltshire Council, Rethink, Carer Support Wiltshire and Citizens Advice.

The forum meets via Zoom on the first Wednesday of every month from 2pm-4pm and features regular guest speakers from a variety of organisations.

Recent talks have been given by Paul Fox, from the Money and Pensions Service, who spoke about the impact of the cost of living on mental health, and how they can help people with mental health issues to manage their finances. Jacob Beale from Alabare has also spoken at the forum about how forum members can get involved in a Co-production panel for Wiltshire's Mental Health Transformation project.

Find out more and sign up today

Reserve your place on the Fundraising and Communications Network event today

3SG are holding a webinar to focus on how to promote fundraising in the cost of living crisis as well as providing an opportunity to share ideas and challenges within a group setting.

The network is a way to meet and connect with others involved in fundraising and communications across Bath and North East Somerset.



B&NES 3rd Sector Group

The webinar is to be held on 13 October 2022 from 11am-12pm and you can sign up via the 3SG website.

[Sign up today](#)

Upcoming Covid-19 vaccination clinics

There are a series of Covid-19 vaccination clinics taking place across Bath and North East Somerset this summer. If you haven't had your first, second or booster doses, there is still time to get yours.

From 11am-6pm at Bath City Football Club, 105 High Street, Twerton, Bath, BA2 1DB on:

7 September
30 September

From 11am-5:30pm at Bath Citadel Salvation Army, Green Park Road, Bath, BA1 1XE on:

1 September
8 September
15 September
22 September
29 September

From 10am-5pm at Fairfield Park Health Centre, Tynning Lane, Camden Road, Bath BA1 6EA on:

26 August

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 CCG

[Parents advised to put Covid-19 vaccine on kids back-to-school to-do-list](#)

[Upcoming Bank Holiday weekend prompts prescription reminder for those on regular medication](#)

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