

Arts, Heritage and Design in Hospitals

Central London, 12th June

We are setting up a national Networking Group of NHS managers and professional leads who are involved in the leadership and delivery of Arts, Heritage and Design services across hospitals. The purpose of the group is to share best practice, to find solutions and offer support to those working within this field of healthcare. We aim to raise the profile of our profession, strive to improve and standardise our approaches to working.

An NPAG national Network is a structured forum for healthcare professionals to meet, discuss current issues and receive presentations on topics they are interested in. It's prime purpose is to support managers in the continuous improvement of their own service. NPAG have a long track record of supporting healthcare managers across the country, with over twenty such networks in operation. The group will meet three times a year, attracting members from across the country.

What can the Network offer me?

We can share information and experience in an open and honest environment, receive presentations from topical speakers, undertake benchmarking exercises, debate policy and identify innovations and good working practice. NPAG is a member of the CPD Certification Service and as a Network member, you will receive an annual CPD certificate to verify attendance at meetings. Between meetings you can access a managed question and answer service and a resource library, enabling members to unlock expertise across the field.

Time to think, discuss and plan

One of the most important features of the meetings is the Members' Exchange where anything can be brought to the table for discussion in a confidential environment. Members value the opportunity to learn about and reflect on the many different approaches to management, service delivery and the significant changes and challenges facing Arts, Heritage and Design services. At NPAG we have a firm belief in sharing and not reinventing the wheel, so policies and processes, innovations, ideas and good practice are freely shared in order to benefit and improve care within our services.

How do I sign up?

Our first meeting will be held on Wednesday 12th June (09:30-16:00) in central London. It will feature presentations from artists, chief executives and other healthcare professionals. The cost of the annual membership is £395 which covers the secretariat offered by NPAG, venues and catering, a managed question and answer service and CPD points for the 3 meetings.

“Arts and heritage programmes in our hospitals play a key role in fulfilling recommendations set out by the 2017 inquiry report from the All Party Parliamentary Group for arts in health. I would urge hospital trusts to join this new national network, to assist in improving our hospital environments through high quality arts, heritage and design initiatives.”

Rt. Hon. Lord Howarth of Newport, Co-Chair, All-Parliamentary Group on Arts Health and Wellbeing.

Interested? Please contact Victoria for further details or complete the included Registration Form to secure your place: victoria.combes@npag.eastamb.nhs.uk / tel: 01245 544600

