

June 2020 Update

This month we have been busy finalising our Annual Report. We have aslo welcomed two new members to the Healthwatch Warrington team.

Our Virtual Voices as always continues to grow and we continue to gain valuable insight been able to gain some great insight into GP Access and other areas of Health & Social Care.

Read our Annual Report





Volunteer & Enter & YP Outreach/ View Lead

Adrianne initially joined Healthwatch Warrington as a volunteer after



Engagement Lead

From our work last year around Young people's Mental Health,

retiring from the NHS. She had previously trained as a nurse and her career spanned 36 years, during which time she was employed in various roles. Her last job role in the NHS was Head of Clinical Quality and Patient Experience, She always tried to seek the views of service users and carers when planning, delivering and reviewing services and care.

Adrianne has been fortunate to work with some amazing volunteers, both with the NHS and Healthwatch Warrington.

"I would encourage anyone to try volunteering because the opportunities are many and varied."

Find out more about volunteering possibilities please email Adrianne.

Contact Adrianne

Healthwatch Warrington has been awarded additional income. This funding will allow us to continue this work with Children and Young People for CCG.

Julie Howson has taken on the role, she has worked as an advocate for 10 years with young carers and is a qualified counsellor.

"We need a culture where Children and Young People can confidently access adequate mental health support within a suitable timescale, where they will feel confident and safe to speak and be listened. Inclusive of early signs of mental health issues before it escalates'."

If you want to find out more about this project, please email Julie.

Contact Julie



Andy became the NHS complaints Advocate in September this year and has already engaged with a number of Warrington ICAS' existing clients and looks forward to support new clients.

He is passionate about ensuring that people in Warrington are supported through the NHS complaints process and are empowered to understand their rights.

What is NHS Complaints Advocacy?

Although most people using the health service are happy with their care and treatment, things can sometimes go wrong. If you're not satisfied with the service you've experienced from a hospital, doctor, dentist, local surgery or any other NHS provider, you are entitled to complain about it.

Find out more about our Advocacy Service

Local Information



Warrington ESA

Warrington is now a designated Enhanced response area following a government announcement, due to the continued prevalence of the Delta variant of coronavirus. Cases are rising rapidly in Warrington, driven by the Delta variant. The government therefore made the decision yesterday, Monday 14 June, to make Warrington an enhanced support package area.

This means that in Warrington, over the coming days and weeks, there will be, as a minimum:

- >An enhanced presence of community engagement and street teams, speaking to residents to make sure they are testing themselves routinely and are taking up the vaccine when offered
- >Supervised in-school testing and the reintroduction of face coverings in educational settings.
- >Surge PCR testing in some specific areas and settings
- >Enhanced delivery of local and targeted communications, including roaming ad vans and billboard messages

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Moobs & Boobs fundraising for Breast Cancer Care - Bespoke Luxury Hamper Raffle

Win a 'money can't buy bespoke picnic basket' this wonderful Fortnum & Mason Hamper includes Champaign & Margaritas

Raffle open Monday 7th June until Thursday 8th July - Winner will be drawn at the Pickering Arms Pub, Thelwall, Afternoon Tea Event

Want to be in with a chance to win? Click the link and purchase your raffle ticket

Get Your Tickets







Virtual Voices

last months winner for Virtual Voices was Veronica Rathbone. She was the lucky winner of £20 voucher gift voucher to spend in Warrington Market.

If you would like to get invovled and have your say with the chance to win a voucher- Simply sign up to Virtual Voices. Sign up today and you have the choice to take part each month.

This months survey is about medication reviews, men's mental health & women's health.

Take Survey

Peoples Panel

Our Peoples Panel meet monthly via Zoom. Each month there a different speaker and a chance to discuss health and social care matters that are arising in Warrington.

We are continuoulsy recruiting for Warrington residents to join the panel in order to have an even more diverse group of people represented.

If you would like to contribute to the panel. Please apply below.

Apply to Peoples Panel

Our Reports



GP Access Report

We asked our Virtual Voices about their experiences with GP Access, as we have received a lot of feedback regarding this issue in Warrington. We have collated this information and shared throughout our networks. Our report is available below.

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COVID Vaccine Feedback

Our Mass Vaccination Centres have been buzzing since the introduction of the COVID 19 Vaccines. We have been collating information from the centres and have had over 2800 responses. Below is the report on our findings of the experiences of Warrington Residents

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PCN Changes in Care Homes

Warrington CCG asked us to carry out engagement and consultation on the changes to PCN and GP changes in Care homes. We held Informational sessions for each of the PCNS. Our results from the consultations are below as well as our reccomendations.

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We have started to work towards our priorities for 2021. Adrianne & Julie are welcome additions to the Healthwatch Warrington Team and are going to be a welcome asset to assist in acheiving results.

We have just launched a survey about Young People's Mental Health to

teachers. This will allow us to get a better understanding of how they think students are coping and assess whether teachers think they can spot any issues and are able to support them. Early intervention is key..

We are continuing our COVID Research and working towards to supporting carers and highlighting issues of carers strain.

If you wish to get invovled or share your views please contact us.

Other Information





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