

**Chair's Business  
(29 August 2019)**

**Good News Stories**

<b>Title</b>	<b>Details</b>
<b>Raising Awareness of Insulin Safety</b>	<p>To mark diabetes week (10-14 June) our diabetes and pharmacy teams were raising awareness of the importance of insulin safety amongst staff, patients and carers.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>
<b>Preventing Burns and Scalds</b>	<p>We have teamed up with the Home Safety Scheme within Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough Council to highlight the dangers of hot drinks and food around babies and young children.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>
<b>New Cardiac Monitoring System for Daisy Hill Hospital</b>	<p>Daisy Hill Hospital's cardiology team has welcomed a £235,000 investment in the latest heart monitoring equipment.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>
<b>Celebrating Biomedical Science Day</b>	<p>Our Biomedical Science Team celebrated Biomedical Science Day on 20<sup>th</sup> June with a showcase event at Craigavon Hospital to raise awareness of their role to patients, staff and the public.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>
<b>Fit 4 U 2 celebrate Learning Disability week 2019</b>	<p>During Learning Disability Week from 17 to 23 June Mencap encouraged as many people as possible, with and without a learning disability, to get involved in inclusive sporting activities in their local communities.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>
<b>New Electronic System Improving Patient Diagnosis</b>	<p>A recent electronic upgrade in the way we undertake urine testing is greatly improving the speed and accuracy of diagnosis.</p> <p>A total of 110 high tech Urinalysis machines have now been installed throughout Acute and Non Acute Hospitals, Health Centres and Outpatients Departments.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>
<b>Hip replacement patient first to be "fast-tracked" home on same day as surgery</b>	<p>Tracey Murphy-Kelly from Caledon, Co Tyrone recently became the first hip replacement patient to go through a fast-track programme in Craigavon Area Hospital. Tracey was able to go home on the same day as her operation.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>
<b>Comfort for Families at a Difficult Time</b>	<p>The team in Ward 2 Lurgan Hospital have introduced new 'comfort trolleys' for relatives sitting with patients who are nearing the end of life. The trolleys include tea and coffee making essentials and light snacks, along with toiletry items for relatives to freshen up.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>
<b>Special Celebration for Tiny Teachers</b>	<p>A very special celebration event was held in Armagh Teacher's Centre to thank the 27 'tiny teachers' and their parents who participated in the Roots of Empathy programme in Primary Schools across the Southern area.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>

<p><b>National Recognition for Learning Disability Service</b></p>	<p>We have scooped three awards at the 2019 National Learning Disabilities and Autism Awards.</p> <p>The Awards celebrate excellence in the support for people with learning disabilities and aim to pay tribute to those who excel in providing quality care.</p> <p>Bernie McNaughton received Learning Disability Nurse Award Glanree House Support Staff received Supporting Older People with Learning Disabilities Award and the Disability Day Services Team won the Great Autism Practice Award.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>
<p><b>One-stop Diabetes Clinic for Young People</b></p>	<p>Our diabetes team has hosted their second 'one-stop' health and information clinic for young people aged 16-20 with Type 1 Diabetes. The clinic was held following fantastic feedback from all the young people, health care professionals and external agencies who attended the pilot event last year.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>
<p><b>Sun Protection for Outdoor Workers</b></p>	<p>We are the first Trust in Northern Ireland to launch the 'Sun Safety Outdoor Workplace' policy for outdoor workers.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>
<p><b>Success at Paperless Awards</b></p>	<p>We have received two top prizes at the prestigious UK wide Public Sector Paperless Awards.</p> <p>Mark Toal, Head of Technology and Innovation has received the 'Special Recognition Award.'</p> <p>The PARIS Implementation Team received the 'Most Flexible Digital System' award for the Trust's 'PARIS Digital Community Journey' entry.</p> <p>The District Nursing Service was also a finalist in the 'Best use of E-Forms' category.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>
<p><b>Chaplaincy Support</b></p>	<p>The Trust's Chaplaincy Service provides 24 hour care for the pastoral and spiritual needs of patients, families and staff during the sometimes difficult experience of a hospital admission.</p> <p>Patients are also welcome to invite their own member of the clergy to visit them during their stay in hospital.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>
<p><b>Diabetes and Sport Event for Young People</b></p>	<p>Young people living with Type 1 diabetes are invited to attend an event where they can learn from professional sport's people living with type 1 diabetes on how to enjoy and achieve their maximum potential with exercise and sport on Saturday 14 September between 3pm and 6pm in Seagoe Parish Centre in Portadown.</p> <p><b><u>READ MORE</u></b></p>

## Events attended since the previous meeting

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<p><b>Staff excellence celebrated at annual Awards Ceremony (18<sup>th</sup> June 2019)</b></p>	<p>Our ninth Excellence Awards ceremony celebrated and recognised the commitment, innovation and achievements of staff and volunteers.</p> <p>Dr Kathryn Boyd, Consultant Haematologist scooped the Overall Winner for the Trust's Excellence Awards and she also took top place for the 'People's Choice - Award for Outstanding Care and Compassion'.</p> <p>Overall Runner up for the annual awards was Kate Kelly, Infection Control and Prevention Nurse and she also secured the Winners Award for 'Better Together - Award for Team of the Year - Behind the Scenes'.</p> <p>There were seven award categories including Taking the lead; Better Together Frontline; Better Together Behind the Scenes; Learning in Action; Quality Care – For you, With you; Innovation in Action and People's Choice Award.</p> <p><a href="#"><u>READ MORE</u></a></p>
<p><b>Trust celebrates amazing work of Volunteers (25<sup>th</sup> June 2019)</b></p>	<p>The hard work and dedication of more than 300 Volunteers in the Southern Trust were recognised and thanked at this annual event.</p> <p>The national theme for 2019 'Time to Celebrate' provided the opportunity to raise awareness of and to celebrate the dedicated volunteers who give up their time to help and support patients, visitors and clients every day across the Southern Trust.</p> <p>This is a great opportunity to publicly thank all our volunteers for the time and contribution they give to our Trust. They all share one common thing – they give the precious gift of time. I am delighted to be involved in celebrating and recognising our Volunteers who give up their valuable time to help make this Trust the remarkable place it is.</p> <p><a href="#"><u>READ MORE</u></a></p>
<p><b>PhyDis2gether 'Breaking Barriers' Art Exhibition, Millennium Court Arts Centre (30<sup>th</sup> July 2019)</b></p>	<p>Organised by the PhyDis2gether service user group from the Craigavon and Banbridge area, this exhibition told the individual stories of how these service users break the barriers they are presented with on a daily basis. The project which promoted Personal and Public Involvement, was funded by a Small Grants scheme.</p>
<p><b>New Aseptic Suite Opens at Craigavon Area Hospital (5<sup>th</sup> August 2019)</b></p>	<p>A new £3.37M Aseptic Suite has opened at Craigavon Area Hospital.</p> <p>Located in front of the Macmillan Building, the new state of the art unit will be used for preparing and dispensing highly specialised medications like chemotherapy.</p> <p>The building will be known as the 'McWilliams Suite' in memory of a pharmacy colleague Gillian McWilliams who sadly passed away from cancer a number of years ago.</p> <p><a href="#"><u>READ MORE</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Have a look inside!</u></a></p>

**Autism Services  
Summer Festival  
(8<sup>th</sup> August 2019)**

There was a great turn out for this year's Summer festival hosted for young people with Autism and their families.

The Autism team and a group of young people who volunteer work so hard all year round and this event showcases that by creating a positive and fun environment for young people and their families.

Thank you to McGeown Commercials and transport and a massive thank you to @AcornForAutism for sponsoring the event and their continued support to the service!