



## **Mental Health Network Members Update August 2020**

Dear members, please find below a list of updates relating to both information and current projects we are involved in on behalf of the mental health network and relative wider Forum Central and collaborative/strategic pieces of work. If you would like to discuss anything within this update individually or feed information into it for future updates, please do not hesitate to contact [Karen.fenton@forumcentral.org.uk](mailto:Karen.fenton@forumcentral.org.uk).

### **Forum Central Recruitment**

Forum Central is pleased to share information on three exciting new job opportunities. We'd really appreciate it if you could help us get the message out to as broad and diverse an audience as possible, by sharing this information with relevant contacts and across your networks.

The roles are as follows:

- [Volition Operations Manager](#)
- [Third Sector Advocate and Representatives Relationship Officer](#)
- [Leeds Third Sector Outbreak Plan Co-ordinator](#)

These roles are incredibly important for Leeds, and successful candidates will play a key part in shaping the development, integration and ongoing growth of the third sector in the city.

As an organisation which advocates for anti-racist practice, and embraces diversity in all forms, Forum Central are particularly keen to receive applications from Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic people, and people from groups which are currently under-represented within Health and Care Leadership.

Applications for all three roles must be submitted by 5pm on the 15th September. For further information please contact [hello@forumcentral.org.uk](mailto:hello@forumcentral.org.uk)

If you belong to any other networks where this information could be shared, or know of others who may be interested in applying, please do share further.

### **Wider Recruitment**

Please note the following posts out for recruitment relevant to the network:

- **Mental Health Strategy Implementation Lead**

This post is live, open till 1st Sept to anyone currently working within health and care in Leeds

<https://leeds.csod.com/ux/ats/careersite/1/home/requisition/2192?c=leeds>  
<https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/vacancy/916143995>.

- **Chief Officer Roles**

Leeds City Council Public Health currently have 3 chief officer roles advertised, which close on the 16<sup>th</sup> Sept.

- Health Protection & Sexual Health
- Children and Families, including CCG Strategic Commissioning
- Public Mental Health & CCG Strategic Commissioning.

Details [here](#)

## **Presentation from Mental Health Network Information and Strategy Meeting 17th July 2020**

At the last members meeting in July, we were joined by Caroline Townsend, from the NHS Leeds CCG Commissioning Team who presented a **Mental Health Strategic Planning Update**. You can view the slides from the meeting on our website [here](#).

### **The next Mental Health Network meeting**

This will take place on: **Weds 30<sup>th</sup> Sept 1-2.30pm** Via Zoom. Please email [hello@forumcentral.org.uk](mailto:hello@forumcentral.org.uk) if you are able to attend. Agenda TBC. Suggested topics welcomed.

### **Leeds and York Partnership Foundation Trust (LYPFT) and 3rd Sector Partnership Forum**

On **Thursday 17th September 9.30-11.30am** we will hold the next of these meetings via Zoom. It will focus on Community Mental Health Services, provision and pathways.

The agenda is still being developed and will be circulated once finalised but will include elements of collaborative presentations for updates and the opportunity for attendees to take place in action-focused workshops.

Workshops will be facilitated and take place in break-out rooms, with discussions focusing on 'where we are now, where we are heading and what we can do in partnership to move forward'. Building in elements of future planning and discussions around gaps in provision, areas of challenge and concern to address jointly.

If you are able to attend this meeting or send a representative from your service/team/organisations please RSVP to: [elizabeth.bridson@nhs.net](mailto:elizabeth.bridson@nhs.net)

### **Webinar - Preparing for an increase in demand for mental health support. 2nd Sept 2020**

Hear PHE talk about the Mental Health and Wellbeing Real Time Surveillance data and colleagues from the Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire system talk about how they are preparing for the increase in demand.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/preparing-for-an-increase-in-demand-for-mental-health-support-tickets-115873006281>

### **Emerging Mental Health Data Request**

Thank you to everyone who sent us information support the gathering of insight and information relating to Emerging Mental Health Needs, which Sarah Erskine from Public Health has been leading on. I'm working with Sarah and Caroline Townsend over the coming weeks to digest, analyse and pull together that data along with public health and CCG information with a view to presenting findings at a future Mental Health Partnership Board and will keep you informed and share that when complete.