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Bradford Teaching Hospitals
NHS Foundation Trust

Members' news



Dear Members,

We are seeking Governors in our upcoming Governor Elections!

Bradford Teaching Hospitals will hold elections to appoint 1 public representative and 1 patient representative to its Council of Governors and is looking for people to nominate themselves to stand from **Tuesday 10th December 2024**.

We are looking for people of all ages and from different backgrounds to become Governors to reflect and represent the diverse communities that we serve here at Bradford Teaching Hospitals. This year we are seeking a governor for each of the following public/patient membership constituencies:

- Keighley
- Patient (lives outside of the Bradford District but has received treatment from our Trust)

How to nominate yourself:

- You can nominate yourself for the elections from Tuesday 10th December 2024 by accessing <http://www.cesvotes.com/bradfordteaching2025> (note: this website will open on 10th December 2024)
- You can also find information on our Trust website [here](#) including details of a couple of information sessions we are holding on-line if you would like to book in. These take place on:
 - Tuesday 17th December 2024, 5.00pm to 6.00pm
 - Wednesday 18th December 2024, 2.00pm to 3.00pm.
- Nomination forms need to be submitted by 5pm on Friday 10th January 2025.

Our Annual Members' Meeting took place on 28 November 2024

Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust's Annual Members' Meeting (AMM) took place on Thursday, 28 November and reflected our work over the past year. There were presentations on the Annual Report from Chief Executive, Professor Mel Pickup and on the Annual Accounts by Chief Finance Officer, Ben Roberts. Public Governor of the Trust's Council of Governors, David Wilmshurst, provided an update on the Council's work and Membership during 2023/24.

To view the documents for the meeting and presentation visit our website:

<https://www.bradfordhospitals.nhs.uk/2024-annual-members-meeting/>

Mel's weekly round-up: November's round-up

Here's a round-up of this month's stories.

We heard from Professor John Wright, Director of the Bradford Institute for Health Research (BIHR), about its work and how it claimed the top spot for most research volunteers recruited in the whole country for the first time.

Then, to mark Men's Health Awareness Month, we heard from Dr Chidi Molokwu, Consultant Urologist, about the critical role early detection plays in improving outcomes for prostate cancer patients by increasing the chances of successful treatment and survival.

We also learned about the Practice Education team's work providing support to a wide range of students doing their clinical placements at the Trust.

On the podcast, we heard from Consultant Uro-oncologist and Urological Surgeon, Rajindra Singh, about robotic surgery and the amazing benefits this has for patient care.

Finally, there's a look at some other things that have been happening around the Trust this month.

Watch here: <https://youtu.be/JCx34tqhK4g>

In this latest episode of the podcast Mel chats with BTHFT Consultant Oncologist and Urological Surgeon, Rajindra Singh.

They discuss the transformative world of robotic surgery and how our Trust was proud to pioneer robotic-assisted urological cancer surgery in Yorkshire with its first 'robot' back in 2012.

The podcast delves into the evolution of surgical techniques, the benefits of robotic surgery for both patients and surgeons, and the future of this innovative technology.

Listen here: <https://tinyurl.com/ycxb5d3u>

Practice Education team

This week we're focusing on how we, as a teaching Trust, welcome many students on placement to prepare for their future careers and contribute to the care that we provide.

Central to the success of these students is our Practice Education team, which provides support to them as they carry out their clinical placements within the Trust.

Working closely with our further and higher education partners, they facilitate quality placements and help students develop highly attuned skills.

Today we hear from Education Lead, Sarah Scholes and Practice Educator Rachael Mathers about this important work.

Watch the film here: https://youtu.be/MUJB_qCw5Tg

November is Men's Health Awareness Month

As November is Men's Health Awareness Month, we're this week re-visiting a film that spotlights prostate cancer awareness and the need to prioritise regular screenings and health check-ups.

We hear from Dr Chidi Molokwu, Consultant Urologist here at the Trust, and one of his patients, about the critical role early detection plays in improving outcomes for prostate cancer patients. It's a timely reminder for all men to take care of their health.

Watch the film here: <https://youtu.be/25Y9fvP5Hig>

Mel's weekly round-up: Our Partners

This week's round-up is a fascinating film about how Bradford has become a leader in world class, people powered medical research, achieving the highest number of volunteers for health studies over the past year.

The Bradford Institute for Health Research (BIHR), which is part of our Trust, has recruited over 25,000 local volunteers for 86 live studies – claiming the top spot for volunteers nationally for the first time.

We hear from Professor John Wright, Director of the BIHR, as he shares insights from Bradford's transformation from a neglected backwater of medical research into a global leader in the field.

Watch the film: <https://youtu.be/OOFFcSlisTk>

Your Membership Data – Membership Portal

You have control of the data we hold on you!

Here you can create your own log in and keep your own information up to date:

<https://secure.membra.co.uk/memberportal/bradfordteaching/>

You can also update your profile information and in particular let us know if you have any special requirements that we should take account of.

We hope you find these round ups useful. Please do share with your family and friends. If you have any feedback you would like to share then please do – see our contact details at the end of this email.

Regards

Membership Office

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