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## July 2024 Newsletter, Bulletin 3

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Dear Deep End members,

Welcome to the third of our monthly emails. It has been a busy few months and we are delighted to share with you our updates which include recent Deep End Bristol activity along with current and future opportunities.



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**Power Up Passion Projects**

## Translating continuing professional development into action

The GPs at the Deep End Bristol network in collaboration with the BNSSG Integrated Care Board and the CATCH (Communities Acting Together for Climate and Health) programme has created Power Up Passion Projects.

Thank you for your applications! There have been a huge variety of fantastic ideas. We are currently processing applications and will be in touch with all applicants in due course.

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## Nominations for Recognition awards



We will shortly be launching our nominations for Recognition awards. Please let us know the names of any of your GP colleagues (salaried or partner) who work regular >7 sessions per week or have >15 yrs service at the 'deep end' by emailing us at [deepend-gps-project@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:deepend-gps-project@bristol.ac.uk) by 1 September 2024.

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## Housing letter update

Following our last face to face GPs at the Deep End meeting, where challenges were raised around issues with housing letters, we have been working with Hari Ramakrishnan (Community Innovation Lead, NHS South Bristol Locality Partnership), Shelter and Housing Matters. Further discussions are expected and we will keep you updated. Watch this space!

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# Launch of Inclusion Health Specialist Interest Group (SIG)



Beth, along with GP colleagues from Glasgow and Edinburgh, launched a SIG at the Society of Academic Care conference held in Bristol on 3 July.

The aim of the SIG is to look at National Deep End shared learning and offer potential opportunities for collaboration with researchers from other Deep End networks.

A suggested initial topic is the impact of insecure housing and homelessness on health; this topic has been raised by you all at our Bristol Deep End events and is one we know you feel strongly about.

We are hoping to have input from people with lived experiences of homelessness and voluntary sector colleagues as well as GPs from the deprived areas of Glasgow, Edinburgh, Bristol, Dublin and London.

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## Hidden Workload study through PACT (launching August 24)



Much of the work that primary care clinicians do every day is not recorded and, crucially, not recognised. This “hidden” workload might include results and document reviewing, ad hoc patient contacts, and supervision of colleagues. PACT want to

understand workload in primary care better and explore how and why this workload might vary from practice to practice as our local demographics change.

PACT will be asking members to record all of the work they do in their practice on a single day, which will then be analysed in relation to each practice's local demographics. They will also be interviewing PACT members to learn more about their lived experience of their work and how their local communities affect the work they do. To get involved sign up via PACT - see [here](#) for more information.

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## Opportunities for research resource help

The CRN are offering sites new to research and the RSI scheme an opportunity to receive support from experienced research nurses and Clinical Research Practitioners (CRP) from their Direct Delivery Team.

They are able to support you with carrying out study activities such as recruiting participants and other research delivery activities related to study protocol. For more information please contact [we.reach@nihr.ac.uk](mailto:we.reach@nihr.ac.uk).

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## Research



**RAPID IMMUNE TEST** is a new study trying to improve antibiotic use for upper respiratory infections in GP practices. The study will assess whether a new point-of-care test called FebriDx helps clinicians know if a patient's infection is caused by a virus or bacteria. **Please email Dr Emily Brown ([emily.brown@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:emily.brown@bristol.ac.uk)) if you are interested in taking part.**

**BENZO-OPIOID STUDY.** How do we best support people who are co-dependent on street benzodiazepines and opioids? The aim of this study is to explore the views of GPs and drugs service staff on how best to support people who co-use street

benzodiazepines and opioids like heroin. We're interested in your views, including what you think about prescribing of benzodiazepines to this patient group. More information is available via this [link](#). **Please email: [hannah.family@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:hannah.family@bristol.ac.uk) or [Gabriele.Vojt@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:Gabriele.Vojt@bristol.ac.uk) if you are interested in taking part.**

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## Website update

We have updated our website to include details about the current Health Inequality Fellows and the work they are completing during their [fellowships](#).

We have also added a [research project page](#) where we will include details of interesting projects that are currently recruiting.

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## **\*\*Next face to face event - 6 December 2024\*\***

We have scheduled a webinar for **Thursday 19 September 12:00 - 13:30**. Further details to follow.

Our next face to face event will be held on the morning of **Friday 6 December**.

**Please save these dates and please ask your interested colleagues to do the same!**



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