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Welcome to the second issue of the Public Health Information News 2010.

A bumper issue packed full of information, and published just in time for the summer holidays. So there's no excuse for you not to keep up to date while you are away from work!

The usual features and updates are all included, and a special thanks to everyone for sending us their contributions. If you want to send contributions then please contact Sue Thomas (Ed) who will be able to assist you if you have any queries. We can accept information at any time, and will do our best to include it in the next relevant issue.

You will also notice a change to the online web addresses in the newsletter. To make these shorter and easier to access we are now using the shortened addresses from the <http://bit.ly/> website. Let us know what you think.

And finally, if you don't receive your own copy of the news and would like to, then contact us and we can add your details to the distribution list. And remember, the choice is yours – you can receive in print, or electronically, or in large print, or bilingually. The most recent issues are also on the newsletter pages of our web site at:

www.wales.gov.uk/healthpromotionlibrary

Updates and Publications

Inequalities

Equity, social determinants and public health programmes

Blas E and Kurup AS (Eds)

World Health Organization, 2010

This is a collection of analyses of the social determinants of health that impact on specific health conditions. Building on the recommendations of the Commission on Social Determinants of Health, interventions to improve health equity are given for the following areas:

- Alcohol-related disorders
- Cardiovascular diseases
- Child health and nutrition
- Diabetes
- Food Safety
- Maternal health
- Mental Health
- Neglected tropical diseases
- Oral Health
- Pregnancy outcomes
- Tobacco
- Tuberculosis
- Violence and injuries

The book was commissioned by the Department of Ethics, Equity, Trade and Human Rights as part of the work undertaken by the Priority Public Health Conditions Knowledge Network of the Commission on Social Determinants of Health, working with 16 of the major public health programmes of the World Health Organization. It also includes 13 case studies examining the implementation challenges of addressing social determinants of health in low and middle income settings. The book is lengthy at 300 pages but can be accessed and searched online at: <http://bit.ly/d4biua>.

We are waiting for a print copy of this for the library which will be available for loan to members.

**The impact of income inequalities on sustainable development in London: a report for the London Sustainable Development Commission
Wilkinson R and Pickett K on behalf of the Equality Trust, 2010**

The aim of this report is to start a debate on the cause and potential effects on income inequalities in London, and the Commission is keen to have a debate before drawing up conclusions. As well as this report, they are interested in learning from other academics in this field, and would welcome comments to LSDC@london.gov.uk

The report is in four sections covering:

- Diminishing returns to economic growth
- How inequality affects health and social problems
- Application to London
- Greater equality and the threat of climate change

The report notes in part 1 that 'improvements in societal wellbeing are now more likely to follow from greater equality rather than from further economic growth.' It goes on to state that 'research also shows that human happiness has ceased to rise with economic growth'. 'Over long periods in which average real incomes have perhaps tripled, measures of happiness and wellbeing have failed to rise'.

This report is easily accessible via the web at only 55 pages and is available at: <http://www.londonsdc.org/lcdc/research.aspx>

**The role of urban municipal governments in reducing health inequities: a meta-narrative analysis
Collins P and Hayes M
International Journal for Equity in Health May 2010**

The way in which municipal governments should be involved in reducing health inequities is still poorly defined, and this study looks at thematic trends in the health inequities knowledge base, as well as tracking research on interventions.

The authors conclude that despite the history of the early links in the 19th century between urban planners and public health practitioners, currently the precise roles and responsibilities of municipal governments in reducing health

inequities have not been investigated and remain poorly understood.

Interventions in which municipal governments are involved include public health campaigns, working in partnership with other governments and nongovernmental organisations for health interventions, and delivering effectively on existing responsibilities to improve health outcomes and reduce inequities. This analysis is available on line at <http://bit.ly/aX33DI>

International Journal of Epidemiology, volume 39, no 2, April 2010

This issue of the journal has a special theme on 'Social Inequalities in Health'.

A number of papers are of interest including one which considers the continued relevance of the work of Geoffrey Rose and his publications 'Sick

individuals and sick populations' (1985) and 'The Strategy of Preventive Medicine' (1992).

Access this title via the NHS Wales E-library at www.wales.nhs.uk or check the Library's A-Z journals list at: www.wales.gov.uk/healthpromotionlibrary

Remember you will need a password to use the NHS Wales E-Library. If you need any assistance with this please let us know.

Health Education Research June 2010 issue

This issue has as its main theme health, equity and sustainable development. The socio-ecological model of health is considered in a number of the papers, alongside those which address the issue of promoting health using a settings approach.

The socio-ecological model of health is defined in the editorial as one that 'provides a focus on the environmental and social determinants of health and well-being and seeks to integrate health, environment and sustainability concerns, recognising that health is affected by a multitude of factors across the life course'.

The editors further state that 'the settings focus is a key component in a socio-ecological approach to health, aiming to positively affect behaviour change and associated health status through the transformation of people's environments'.

The guest editors are from the Institute for Sustainability, Health and Environment at the University of the West of England, Bristol.

Access this title via the NHS Wales E-library at www.wales.nhs.uk or check the Library's A-Z journals list at: www.wales.gov.uk/healthpromotionlibrary

Print copies of both journals are also available in the Library's journal collection.

Health Equity and Prevention Primer: Advancing Public Health Advocacy to Eliminate Health Disparities Prevention Institute and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, 2010

This is a web-based training tool for public health practitioners and advocates interested in policy advocacy, community change and multi-sector engagement to achieve health equity.

There are 7 learning modules covering:

- Primary prevention
- The Two steps to prevention framework and the trajectory of health inequities
- Community Factors and how they influence health equity

- The spectrum of prevention: a framework for addressing health equity
- Enhancing effective partnerships for health equity
- The importance of local policy for achieving equitable outcomes
- Good health counts: measurement and evaluation for health equity.

Find this online at <http://www.preventioninstitute.org/tools.html>

The Grocery Gap: who has access to healthy food and why it matters**Treuhart S and Karpyn A****Policy Link and the Food Trust, 2010**

This report summarises current knowledge about **food deserts** and their impacts on communities and provides evidence to inform policy making.

The report brings together a bibliography of studies examining food access and its implications that have been conducted in the US over the past 20 years.

There are a total of 132 studies, from both journals and other reports or grey literature. They include three nationwide analyses of food store availability and neighbourhood, city, country, regional, state-wide and multistate analyses covering 22 states across the US.

Find this online at <http://bit.ly/9QGzyB>

Global Health**Science and Innovation for Development****Conway G, Waage J and Delaney S****UK Collaborative on Development Sciences 2010**

This book aims to help people understand how science can contribute to international development. The authors take the Millennium Development Goals as the framework for their exploration, which address a wide range of development issues where science is particularly active including, agriculture, health and the environment.

Chapters of this extensive book of particular relevance to public health are:

- Combating hunger
- Improving health- covering child and maternal health; infectious and non-communicable diseases
- Environmental sustainability
- Science of and adapting to Climate Change

This is an extensive book which may be best viewed online by individual chapters.

Available online at <http://bit.ly/9z3566>

The EU Role in Global Health**Brussels, 2010**

In this short communication from the Commission, the authors note that 'global health is a term for which no single definition exists. It is about worldwide improvement of health, reduction of disparities, and protection against global health threats. Addressing global health requires coherence of all internal and external policies and actions based on agreed principles'.

The role of the EU in improving global health is noted, alongside key public health issues including:

- The doubling of average life expectancy in the 20th century from 30 to 64 years
- Increased access on the one hand to prevention, treatment and care,

but on the other the gaps widening between rich and poor across and within countries

- Population growth, urbanisation, aging, unhealthy lifestyles, environmental degradation, low access to safe water, food and health services
- Social and economic disparities requiring multi-sector and global action

Given these factors, the authors state that 'public health policies need to go beyond the national level and require strong global institutions and coordinated efforts'.

This communication proposes an EU vision on global health, defining the guiding principles that should apply to all relevant policy sectors and presents a number of areas where the EU could more effectively act.

In addition to the communication, there are three staff working documents

- Contributing to Universal Coverage of Health Services through Development Policy
- Global health: responding to the challenges of globalization
- European Research and Knowledge for global health

Access online at <http://bit.ly/9p1etf>

G8 Summit and Global Health Event took place 25-26 June 2010 in Canada's Muskoka region

A focus of the G8 Summit was on the extent to which countries have met previous G8 commitments. This included a pledge in 1998 to support the global 'Roll Back Malaria' campaign, with the goal to significantly reduce the death rate from the disease by 2010.

Canada also championed a global agenda for improving maternal and child health. Only five years are left until the 2015 deadline, and much progress needs to be made to achieve the Millennium Development Goals.

One of the goals is to reduce the under-five mortality rate by two-thirds between 1990 and 2015. While child mortality in developing countries fell from 99 deaths per 1,000 live births at the beginning of this period to 72 in 2008, and with a goal of 33 deaths per 1,000 live births by 2015 there is still much to do.

Find out all about the G8 Summit at <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/G8>

Global Health Workforce Alliance launches YouTube channel

This dedicated YouTube channel focuses on health workforce issues and has issued a call to join the community. Regular updates will be sent to all who become involved.

The site includes links to the following videos:

- Doctors and Nurses: a BBC documentary on health workforce
- Turning the World Upside Down: the search for global health in the 21st century
- Dr Daniel Speaks about health worker shortage in Uganda

- Managing health workers migration
- HIFA2015 – why we need IT Dr
Pranjab Chatterjee India

Visit the channel at
<http://www.youtube.com/user/ghwavideos>
The alliance web site is at
www.who.int/workforcealliance/en/

Obesity

Solving the problem of childhood obesity within a generation: US White House Task Force on Childhood Obesity 2010

This report looks at the challenge that faces America with their childhood obesity epidemic. One in every three children aged 2-19 is overweight or obese, and it is estimated that one third of all children born in 2000 are expected to develop diabetes during their lifetime.

The report goes on to examine empowering parents and caregivers, healthy food in schools, access to healthy, affordable food and increasing physical activity.

The report of 124 pages can be downloaded from <http://bit.ly/8YoxsT>

Focusing on Obesity through a health equity lens

Kuipers Y

2nd edition, EuroHealthNet 2010

This report aims to produce an accessible source of ideas and inspiration for practitioners and policy makers about counteracting obesity and improving health equity.

able to take this into account. It contains descriptions of nearly 100 projects in 28 countries from the international level to local community initiatives.

The report demonstrates the strong link between health inequalities and rising rates of obesity, and how existing measures to tackle the condition might be

Access online at <http://bit.ly/araEJU> or the Library has a print copy available on loan to all members.

Health Challenge Wales update

New leaflets now available from the order line number **0845 606 4050** are:

- Reduce the Risk of Cot Deaths

Other leaflets recently published include:

- Heatwave – available online only at: <http://bit.ly/9mxqHw>
- Drugs, alcohol and volatile substances: your questions answered
- Drugs, alcohol and volatile substances: what you need to know

Both of the drugs leaflets are available from Julia Roberts Substance Misuse & Treatment Policy, telephone: 01685 729096.

Customers also need to know that Health Challenge Wales merchandise is no longer available, and under the current financial situation will not be re-issued. We are sorry for any inconvenience this makes to our customers.

Order handling

To improve our service delivery for all our customers we are able to track all orders that we handle. So if you do experience any delay in receiving your order, please get back in touch with us and we will be able to investigate this with our distributors.

All orders are dispatched from the warehouse in 5 working days, but please

let us know if you need your leaflets more quickly than this as this can usually be arranged.

If you want to come to the library to collect items, please remember that we only have space to store a limited stock in Llanishen. So it's always better to check with us before you visit.

Statistics and top ten leaflets

The high demand for these leaflets continues, and in May we achieved an all-time record with nearly 50,000 leaflets distributed, up from 17,500 in January 2010.

As part of our quality standards, we monitor the requests to the order line monthly, so that we can track the most popular leaflets, where the orders are coming from, and most importantly what customers tell us they are doing with the leaflets, and any feedback on their impact.

The "Top Ten" most popular leaflets were:

- Alcofacts
- Know your units
- Childhood immunisation for babies
- After your child is immunised
- BBC Big Fat Problem
- Beating cervical cancer
- Five a day booklet
- Smoker helpline card
- Stopping smoking made easier
- I quit

Customer Survey

We want to have more feedback from customers about this service, so in the next few months we will be doing a more formal survey to find out. We will be contacting customers who have used the service recently by either telephone or email and asking for more information about satisfaction with the service, usefulness of the leaflets, and how they are being used.

We know already that many customers are keen to take part in this, so a big thank you in advance to everyone for taking the time to contribute to this.

Results from the survey will be published in a forthcoming issue of the newsletter, so watch this space.

And remember if you have any queries about the Health Challenge Wales leaflets, then please contact us on **0845 606 4050**.

National Healthy Living Week 2010

Advanced notice for your diaries. National Healthy Living Week will this year be **19-25 September 2010**.

There will be a launch event at the Senedd on the **20th September** followed by an all partners involved in healthy living event in the same venue on the **22nd September**.

This year's theme is 'Taking the First Step' which links in well with the overarching 'Small Steps' of Health Challenge Wales.

As well as the events at the Senedd, the Cross-Party Group is keen to encourage activities in local constituencies, and to get as much publicity for this week as possible in local and national media.

So mark this date in your diaries, and if you are planning anything around this time, don't forget to link it to National

Healthy Living Week so that we can really build momentum.

To help you do this you can now post comments and upload photos to the specially created Facebook and Twitter pages for National Healthy Living Week.

The Facebook page is available at <http://bit.ly/aRYT6w>

If you want to use the Twitter pages to 'tweet' information or send comments use the following username and password on www.twitter.com

Username: WALESNHLW2010
Password: nhlw2010

If you have any other queries about National Health Living Week contact Sue Thomas at hplibrary@wales.gsi.gov.uk who is on the Healthy Living Week steering group.

Welsh Assembly Government Health Website Latest Information

National Breastfeeding Week

This year as part of National Breastfeeding Week 21-26 June men, whether fathers, fathers-to-be or neither were asked to complete a short questionnaire about their views on breastfeeding. Information for men is to be produced later in the year.

This follows on from annual activity the Assembly Government does to promote the importance of breastfeeding.

The questionnaire is at www.wales.gov.uk/breastfeeding where you can also find out more about the work that is being done.

Chief Medical Officer's guidance on children drinking alcohol

Dr Tony Jewell has advised parents that children under 15 should not drink alcohol in new guidance on drinking among young people.

You can watch a video interview at <http://bit.ly/cUKqKj> and access the full guidance at: <http://bit.ly/dxJKqk>

Welsh Assembly Government Current Consultations

Substance Misuse Treatment Framework Guidance of Good Practice for the Prevention and Education of Volatile Substance Abuse (VSA)

Volatile Substance Abuse (VSA) is a dangerous but neglected form of substance misuse. Volatile substances are deliberately misused by some young people to achieve intoxication and (perhaps increasingly) by adults.

Most misuse is short-term, but some chronic or dependent misuse exists. VSA is potentially life-threatening, there have been almost 100 deaths in Wales since 1971.

This Module of the Substance Misuse Treatment Framework for Wales (SMTF) which underpins the 'Working Together to Reduce Harm: Substance Misuse Strategy for Wales 2008-2018' seeks to

improve the response to VSA in Wales by:

- Setting out the facts about VSA
- Describing the issues related to it
- Recommending actions to address it

The consultation started on the 3rd May 2010 and ends on the 9th August 2010.

Responses to the consultation by email to substance.misuse@wales.gsi.gov.uk or by post to: Phil Guy, Substance Misuse Policy Development Team, Welsh Assembly Government, Rhydycar, Merthyr Tydfil CF48 1UZ.

Child Poverty Strategy for Wales and Delivery Plan

This strategy sets out the Welsh Assembly Government's vision for tackling child poverty in Wales and improving outcomes for children and parents living in low income families.

There are three documents as part of the consultation:

- Part 1 is a summary of the Strategy and Plan, and includes the questions for consideration as part of the consultation
- Part 2 is the Child Poverty Strategy
- Part 3 is the Delivery Plan

A children and young people's version of all documents is available, and specific events are being held with children and young people to get their views. The consultation started on the 12th May and ends on the 12th August 2010.

Responses by email to childpovertyconsul@wales.gsi.gov.uk or complete the response form online at <http://bit.ly/bXm5FY> or by post to: Kelly Hurley, Child Poverty Unit, Welsh Assembly Government, Rhydycar, Merthyr Tydfil, CF48 1UZ

Safeguarding children and young people from sexual exploitation

This draft guidance is prepared and issued by the Welsh Assembly Government as supplementary guidance to 'Working Together' and should be read with this.

The aim of this statutory guidance is to support the implementation of the 'All Wales Protocol: Safeguarding and Promoting the Welfare of Children' who are at risk of abuse through sexual exploitation, issued in Part 5 of the All Wales Child Protection Procedures (October 2008).

Following consultation this will replace 'Safeguarding Children Involved in Prostitution (Department of Health, Department for Education and Employment, National Assembly for Wales, 2000).

The consultation started on the 8th May and ends on the 31st August 2010. Responses to the consultation by email to:

Safeguardingchildrenandyoungpeoplefromsexualexploitation@wales.gsi.gov.uk

Or by post to: Yvonne Delaney, Children's Health and Social Services Directorate, Welsh Assembly Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ.

For more information go to the Children in Wales website at www.childreninwales.org.uk

Child Minding and Day Care Regulations

This consultation seeks views on proposed amendments to the existing regulations governing child care for children below the age of 8.

The Children and Families (Wales) Measure received Privy Council approval on 10 February 2010. It provides an opportunity to use powers devolved under the Government of Wales Act 2006 to update existing child minding and day

care legislation. This will make the law in these important areas more accessible and easier to understand.

Part 2 (Regulation of Childminding and Day Care) of the Measure does not radically change current childcare registration and inspection arrangements. It provides, however, the opportunity to consolidate and improve existing childminding and day care regulations.

The consultation started on the 14th June and ends on the 6th September 2010. Responses by email to cymorth@wales.gsi.gov.uk or by post to: Andrew Carter, Child & Family Programmes Branch, 4th Floor, Welsh Assembly Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF10 3NQ.

Care Standards Act 2000 – Review of Regulations and National Minimum Standards for Independent Healthcare

This consultation sets out a programme of reform of the current regulatory

framework for independent healthcare in Wales.

The standards were first published by the Welsh Assembly Government in 2002 and have not been amended since then.

This consultation sets out proposals to:

- Revise the current statements of national minimum standards and align future standards with the standards for NHS services: 'Doing Well, Doing Better: Standards for Health Services in Wales'

- Review and consolidate amendments to the regulations by making new regulations
- Remove certain independent healthcare services from regulation by Healthcare Inspectorate Wales
- Ensure clarity about certain regulations and how they apply to independent healthcare
- Update technical aspects, such as references to relevant legislation

Responses to the consultation by email to

independenthealthcareconsultation@wales.gsi.gov.uk or by post to: Ken Alexander, Welsh Assembly Government, Quality, Standards and Safety Improvement Division, Health and Social Services Directorate General, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF10 3NQ

Call for information, abstracts, applications and funding

Welsh NHS Confederation, Welsh Assembly Government, Public Health Wales
'Embracing the challenges – changing conditions' : an international conference on managing chronic conditions, prevention, delivery and sustainable solutions for adding living to life.

10th and 11th November 2010

City Hall Cardiff

Abstracts are invited for breakout sessions and posters for this international event around the following topics:

- Improving healthy lifestyles and well being in the community
- Preventing or delaying the onset of chronic conditions
- Improving the quality of life for people living with chronic conditions
- Reducing the impact of chronic conditions on secondary care and care homes

- Increasing self management, independence and the participation of people with chronic conditions and their carers
- Improving quality of patient care closer to home
- Improving prescribing and medicines management
- Reducing health inequalities and economic activity

Abstracts to be submitted to Sue.Roberts@wales.nhs.uk by Wednesday 8 September 2010.

Journal of the Knowledge Economy: Special Issue on META Health

There is a growing demand for advanced assessments that summarise and translate the immense knowledge base. Meta-studies shift a page in health services research through a comprehensive, no-cost and non-invasive assessment of the existing knowledge.

This special issue offers a forum for systematic review and translation of scientific knowledge in interdisciplinary or mono-disciplinary format. Manuscripts to be submitted by the 31st July 2010 online at <https://www.editorialmanager.com/hkec/> or email the editor Professor Elias G Carayannis at caraye@gwu.edu

Journal of Public Health Policy: call for papers

The journal is looking for submissions that discuss two key policy domains:

- What policies are needed to eliminate tobacco use altogether? Tell us how to move into the end game for tobacco control.
- How can the world prevent the tobacco industry from preying upon the people of poor and populous countries? It will not be a public health victory if cigarette makers, unable to sustain sales in

the face of regulation, simply find a target population in countries without effective control programmes.

Full information about the journal and instructions for authors can be found at <http://www.palgrave-journals.com/jphp/>

Any queries about the process email the editors at jphp@umb.edu

2nd World Non-Profit and Social Marketing Conference Dublin Ireland 11-12 April 2011

A further call for papers has been announced for this conference, with the deadline date of 1st September 2010.

For further details email info@wsmconference.com or call 01323 637719 or visit the website at <http://wsmconference.com/>

Advances in Social Work

Papers for a special issue on 'Social Work and Service-Learning in the Age of Competency-based Education' are requested for submission.

This special issue will explore the pedagogy of service-learning as a means of identifying, demonstrating and

assessing competencies for professional practice. Papers can be either theoretical or research-focused.

Submissions are needed by the 1st September 2010 with the issue to be published in Spring 2011.

Submissions via the journal's website at <https://advancesinsocialwork.iupui.edu/>

Or for more information contact Ginny Majewski vmajewsk@iupui.edu

Australian Journal of Primary Health

Call for papers on primary health care and climate change. Suggested areas to include:

- Conceptualising the effects of climate change
- Resilience at individual, family and community levels

- Primary health care engagement with disaster planning, response and recovery
- Identification of population groups most at risk

Submit papers online and check for further information at the publisher's website <http://bit.ly/aLP3J5>

Oxford University Press

Call for Manuscripts: Evidence-Based Practices Book Series

Oxford University Press is requesting proposals for its new 'Evidence-Based Practices Series', edited by Professors David Biegel and Elizabeth Tracy.

evidence in various fields relevant to social work practice such as aging, child welfare, mental health or substance abuse.

This series focuses on the synthesis of knowledge about evidence-based practices and service delivery initiatives whose effectiveness has been demonstrated by the strength of empirical

For a copy of the detailed author guidelines or for any further information email the editors at david.biegel@case.edu or elizabeth.tracy@case.edu

Call for Conference Proposals: 'Capturing the Wisdom of Practice and Rigor of Science: Discovering the Best Health Promotion Strategies'

21st Annual Art and Science of Health Promotion Conference

21-25 March 2011 Colorado Springs USA

There are three overarching goals for this conference:

1. To provide a forum for discussion among practitioners, scientists and all involved in health promotion
2. To describe what we already know does work best from each of these perspectives
3. To help shape collaborative efforts that can be successful in

conceiving, testing, discovering and sharing what indeed does work best

Art and Science Presentations are due by the 1st October 2010, and should be submitted to Proposals2011@HealthPromotionConference.org

Public Health Reports: Call for Papers Supplement on Oral Health for people living with HIV/AIDS

Oral disease has long been recognised as one of the primary morbidities associated with HIV/AIDS. Good oral health is associated with improved quality of life among individuals living with HIV.

Ten years after the Surgeon General's 2000 report 'Oral Health in America' many needs assessments targeting people living with HIV/AIDS find that dental care remains the greatest unmet need. This lack of access to oral health care perpetuates the disconnect between systemic and oral health that is so problematic for people with compromised immune systems.

The Guest Editors for this supplement invite papers that advance scientific

knowledge and public health research, practice and policy related to oral health among people living with HIV/AIDS. A broad range of topics covering best practice interventions, care provision strategies, methods to overcome or address patient barriers to engagement are called for.

The submission deadline is January 1st 2011 with an anticipated publication date of January or February 2012. Email submissions to:
manuscripts@publichealthreports.org

For all enquiries contact Dr Sara S Bachman by email to sbachman@bu.edu

African Health Open Educational Resources (OER) Repository

There is an open invitation to join this African Health OER Network.

The aim of the network is to share and circulate health-related educational materials by building links to existing resources, which authors have shared under a Creative Commons licence. Contributions to the debates around the

future provision of educational materials for healthcare workers in Africa are also welcomed.

Join the network at
<http://www.oerafrica.org/healthoer>
For any further information contact the lead coordinator Sara Hoosen by email to sarahhoosen@tiscali.co.za

Commonwealth Fund 2011-2012 Harkness Fellowships in Health Care Policy and Practice: Call for Applications

Applications are invited from mid-career professionals for the Harkness Fellowships. Successful Fellows spend up to 12 months in the U.S working with leading experts to undertake a research study that addresses a critical issue on the health policy agenda in both the U.S. and their home country.

For more details about this programme and how to apply visit the Fund's website at
www.commonwealthfund.org/fellowships

The closing date for applications is 13 September 2010.

Heritage Lottery Fund

'Young Roots: Funding available to young people with heritage'

The Heritage Lottery Fund dedicates £3million every year to its 'Young Roots' grants programme, which gives grants ranging from £3,000 to £25,000 to fund projects that engage young people aged 13-25 with heritage.

More than 50,000 young people from all around the UK have so far benefited from £20m of Young Roots funding; developing new skills, building confidence

and connecting with their local history and communities. The Fund is actively looking for potential projects to be supported through Young Roots in Wales. There are no deadlines for applications and decisions are made within 10 weeks.

Advice is available from the Fund team before applications are submitted. For more information visit: <http://bit.ly/dcCCMQ>

UKeiG Jason Farradane Award 2010

This award is made to an individual or group of people in recognition of outstanding work in the information profession.

Specific criteria for the award are:

- Raising the profile of the information profession in an organisation
- Raising the awareness of the value of information in the workplace

- Demonstrating excellence in education and teaching in information science
- A major contribution to the theory and practice of information science or information management

For further details about the award go to the web at: <http://bit.ly/aTPCLu>

The closing date for nominations is September 24th 2010.

Wales Local Public Health News

South East Wales Cancer Network

Velindre Cancer Centre Cardiff has recently run the first seven-week course designed to inform patients about all aspects of their treatment.

The course includes sessions explaining how cancer develops and its causes, treatments and the various therapies, such as physiotherapy, nutrition and preventing cancer recurrence and other potentially lethal diseases.

The course is run by Sue Acreman, a consultant allied health professional in cancer rehabilitation. The course will run three times a year and is open to people diagnosed with cancer in South Wales.

The courses will initially be run at Velindre Cancer Centre in Cardiff, but could be held elsewhere across the South East Wales Cancer Network if there is sufficient demand. For more information contact Sue Acreman on 07837 163930 or email sue.acreman@wales.nhs.uk

Food Standards Agency Wales

Food Safety Week took place 7th-13th June 2010 and focused on actions to prevent campylobacter infections.

A range of resources have been produced in both English and Welsh for use in food safety, including a new campaign toolkit and ideas for running events in local areas, recipe cards and a food hygiene quiz.

A 2010 Resource Catalogue from FSA Wales has also been recently published. It is a useful tool for everyone involved in food, whether this is promoting a healthy balanced diet, establishing a food

business, or ensuring food is properly cooked and safe to eat.

To order a hard copy free of charge contact FSA Wales by email to wales@foodstandards.gsi.gov.uk or telephone 029 2067 8999.

You can also download a copy at: http://www.food.gov.uk/wales/aboutus_wales/fsawalesw/welsh/446407/

Or for the English version at: www.food.gov.uk/aboutus/publications/walespublications/

Consumer and Patient Information

CD-Rom to teach Welsh children about diabetes

Diabetes UK Cymru has created an animated CD-Rom to train teachers and staff at schools across North Wales about diabetes and ways in which they can assist pupils with the condition.

Copies of the CD-Rom, which is available in English and Welsh, will be given to

paediatric diabetes specialist nurses across Wales.

You can request copies of the CD-Rom from Diabetes UK Cymru by calling 029 2066 8276 or email wales@diabetes.org.uk

Alzheimer's Society new leaflet on dementia

'This is me' is a new leaflet launched recently by the Alzheimer's Society for people with dementia who are going into hospital.

It is a simple and practical tool that someone going into hospital can give to staff to help them understand the condition. It provides a 'snapshot' of the person with dementia, giving information about them as an individual, such as

needs, preferences, likes, dislikes and interests.

'This is me' was first developed by the Northumberland Acute Care and Dementia Group, and is being supported by the Royal College of Nursing.

To find out more about this leaflet visit the web at www.alzheimers.org.uk or email the society at enquiries@alzheimers.org.uk

What's on the web?

A useful update to patient information websites was recently published in the Journal of Health Service Research and Policy, vol 15, no 2, April 2010.

This is an update to the review that was published in 2003. The authors note that one of the developments since then is that information is now being presented using visual resources, such as podcasts and video clips, as well as text.

The entry for NHS Direct refers only to the service as provided to patients in England. Patients in Wales have access to the services provided by NHS Direct

Wales at <http://www.nhsdirect.wales.nhs.uk/>
On the NHS Direct Wales website you can find more about illnesses, operations, tests and treatments in the A-Z encyclopaedia; find your nearest doctor, dentist, pharmacy, sexual health clinic and self-help support group via local services, and get health information on issues that could affect 'your health' and 'your lifestyle' including how to locate your nearest health board and community health council.

Contact NHS Direct Wales on 0845 46 47. The service is available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week.

Information Pack for Migrants, Refugees, Asylum Seekers and their families

A new information pack was launched on St David's Day to help migrants, refugees, asylum seekers and their families find the information they need to access services and integrate into local communities.

'Understanding Wales' includes links to relevant public sector, regulatory and government bodies, voluntary organisations, basic advice on day to day living, as well as sections on health, education, employment, housing and information on Welsh culture, events and places of interest. It is available in the top

six most used languages spoken by migrant workers.

Find the document online at <http://bit.ly/cOQTvy>

This pack will be sent to all community libraries in Wales as soon as it is translated and we will also have copies in all languages in the Health Promotion Library.

If you have any queries about this please contact us.

Patient Information Forum

Wanted: Regional/Country Co-ordinator for Wales

The Patient Information Forum is the UK organisation for people who work in consumer health information. It is a membership organisation with more than 650 members working in all parts of the UK in a wide range of roles that involve communicating with patients and the public about their health.

Regional/Country Co-ordinators

To support members there is a network of Regional and Country Co-ordinators throughout the UK. This is a voluntary role and is usually filled by individuals working in a health information environment. The time commitment is approximately one hour per week, plus an additional day per year.

Currently there is a vacancy for the Co-ordinator for Wales.

If you want to find out more about this visit the web at <http://bit.ly/dpzF5h> or contact Nicole Naylor at secretary@pifoline.org.uk or telephone 07813 143 384.

Ethnic Groups

Population estimates by ethnic group 2001-2007

These estimates were published recently, and this is the first time population estimates by ethnic group have been published for Wales.

Data is available at a country and local authority level, and also by age group, and, or gender.

The estimates show that:

- Between 2001 and 2007, the percentage of people in Wales from minority ethnic groups increased from 2.1 per cent to 2.9 per cent.
- The largest minority ethnic group in Wales is Asian or Asian British. In 2007, this group made up 1.2 per cent of Wales' population.

- At a local authority level Cardiff, Newport and the Vale of Glamorgan had the highest proportions of people from minority ethnic groups in 2007.

These population estimates are experimental statistics, which means that they have not yet been shown to meet the quality criteria for National Statistics, but are being published to involve users in the development of the methodology and to help build quality at an early stage.

All comments on these estimates are welcomed and should be sent to Samantha.Grant@wales.gsi.gov.uk

Access the data at: <http://bit.ly/9T4eUE>

Race Equality Foundation

The foundation has recently launched two websites 'Better Health' and 'Better Housing' to provide frontline professionals with information and evidence-based resources relating to race equality and health and housing respectively.

On both websites you can access briefings, resources, web links, a forum,

as well as registering for regular updates. Find them on the web at www.better-health.org.uk and www.better-housing.org.uk

For further information contact Kat Nower Information Officer Race Equality Foundation by email Katherine@racefoundation.org.uk

Web Sites – Upgrades and Launches

NHS Wales e-Library for health

Regular visitors to the NHS Wales e-Library will have noticed that this has recently been redesigned to provide easily accessible sections so that you can

- Find the evidence – databases, e-books and e-journals
- Support your decisions – clinical evidence, guidelines, Cochrane library and Map of Medicine
- Find your local library – all health libraries across Wales
- Get information about the Athens password
- Get help about the e-library
- Use the helpful links section

And best of all, this is free to everyone in health and social care in Wales, and as soon as you have registered and have your own Athens password you can access all these resources ‘anytime, any place any where.’

If you have any comments, queries or suggestions about the NHS Wales e-library please let us know.

Health Matters: public health and well-being today www.healthmatters.org.uk

Health Matters online recently launched to provide a platform for challenging debate and comment on topical issues of policy and practice in healthcare, social care, public health and well-being.

Many of you will remember the Health Matters magazine, and this online version replaces the print version.

As the editors note ‘The hard copy version of Health Matters was a victim of the current harsh economic climate, but every cloud has a silver lining, and we believe that we have a brighter future as part of the blogosphere than would have been possible in the old format.’

So check out this new website, contact the editors Steve Iliffe and Paul Walker and join in the debate!

National Institute for Social Care and Health Research Clinical Research Centre

The CRC Cymru Co-ordinating Centre has been re-commissioned as the National Institute for Social Care and Health Research Clinical Research Centre (NISCHR CRC). The website will be updated to reflect this change over the coming months - www.crc-cymru.wales.nhs.uk

The NISCHR Clinical Research Centre (NISCHR CRC) was established in 2010 and brings together the Clinical Research Collaboration Cymru (CRC Cymru) Co-ordinating Centre and the Wales Cancer Research Network (WCRN), formerly the Wales Cancer Trials Network (www.wcrn.org.uk). It is

hosted by Velindre NHS Trust via a sub-contract from Cardiff University. NISCHR CRC provides regionally based research staff in North, South East and South West Wales. These are trained research professionals with experience of direct patient and service user contact, who work to support NISCHR research projects. There are also Cardiff based dedicated teams that

lead training and development, Involving People, information, communications, finance and administration.

The overall aim of NISCHR CRC is to improve future care by developing and supporting research excellence within health and social care.

Institute of Welsh Affairs

Recently the IWA launched two new websites www.iwa.org.uk and www.clickonwales.org

clickonWales.org is the new online news magazine for Wales. It contains daily analysis and commentary on the Welsh economy, politics, culture and wider public policy questions. The site will draw on the wide range of experts who currently contribute to the IWA's print

magazine 'Agenda'. It will contain a blog by the IWA Director John Osmond, as well as texts of contemporary public lectures on policy issues.

If you want more information about these developments contact Kirsty Davies Deputy Director of the IWA by email to kirstydavies@iwa.org.uk or by telephone to 029 2066 0820.

A Dignified Revolution www.dignifiedrevolution.org.uk/

Information was provided about this website in the last issue of this newsletter.

Recently a new page has been added to the resources section of the website,

which links to resources related to human rights.

If you have any information which you think should be added to this website contact Monica Dennis at info@dignifiedrevolution.org.uk

Web Reports and Publications

World Health Organization Reports

Milestones in Health Promotion: Statements from Global Conferences

This compilation of consensus documents brings together Charters, Declarations, Statements and Recommendations from past Health Promotion conferences. With the statements from Ottawa in 1986 to

Bangkok in 2005 under one cover, this publication is a ready and authoritative reference. It includes the Discussion Document on the Concept and Principles of Health Promotion, Copenhagen, 9-13

July 1984, as well as the Ottawa Charter for Health Promotion.

This is an easily accessible guide to these key documents, and would be particularly useful for students and lecturers.

It can be downloaded from the web at <http://www.who.int/healthpromotion/en/>

Print copies are also available for loan from the Library.

World Health Statistics 2010

This is the annual compilation of data from the 193 Member States of the World Health Organization, and includes a summary of progress towards the health-related Millennium Development Goals and targets.

The indicators cover the following 9 areas:

- Mortality and burden of disease
- Cause-specific mortality and morbidity
- Selected infectious diseases
- Health service coverage

- Risk factors
- Health workforce, infrastructure and essential medicine
- Health expenditure
- Health inequities
- Demographic and socioeconomic statistics

The report can be accessed online and either downloaded in full or by individual section.

Access this at <http://bit.ly/9t0MKA>

Millennium Development Goals in the WHO European Region: a situational analysis at the eve of the five-year countdown. Copenhagen: WHO Regional Office for Europe 2010

<http://bit.ly/dvZTxy>

The Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) are a historic framework providing focus and accountability in addressing some of the world's most pressing development challenges.

In the forward to the report the WHO Regional Director for Europe notes that 'There have been significant advances in the 53 Member States of the WHO European Region in meeting these goals, as evidenced in this report. Nevertheless, action has stagnated in some areas, and inequities in progress persist between and within countries'.

'All the MDGs affect health, and health affects all the MDGs. Thus, this report looks at all MDGS, applying a public health approach that includes health determinants. Delays, and, or inequities in progress towards all MDG targets endanger health and well-being. In all sectors, development efforts must reach those in need across the social gradient, with proportionate attention to the most vulnerable populations'.

The report provides a situational analysis of progress towards the goals on the eve of the five-year countdown to 2015. The MDGs are:

- Health-specific – child health, maternal health and combating HIV , AIDS, malaria and other diseases including TB
- Key determinants of health – poverty, education, gender equality, environmental sustainability and global partnership for development.

Throughout the report attention is given to inequities, in health, the health sector and beyond, and the synergies between the MDGs. The need to strengthen health systems to reach the goals is a central message in the report.

Tackling Chronic Disease in Europe: strategies, interventions and challenges WHO for the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies, 2010

This book links to two previous publications from the European Observatory on this area:

- ‘Caring for people with chronic conditions: a health system perspective’ Nolte E and McKee M, 2008
- ‘Managing chronic conditions: experience in eight countries’ Nolte E, Knai C and McKee M, 2008

This current book focuses more explicitly on the strategies and interventions that policy-makers have at their disposal to tackle chronic diseases. The book is in three parts. The first sets the scene, covering the epidemiologic burden of

As a WHO Information Centre the library will also be sent a print copy of this report. If you are interested in seeing this, please let us know and we will reserve it for you as soon as it comes in.

chronic disease, as well as the economic implications.

The second part looks at strategies and interventions that policy-makers can use to tackle chronic diseases, particularly prevention and early detection and integrated care models.

The third part outlines and discusses institutional and organisational challenges for policy-makers and managers, as well as making key policy recommendations.

This is available online at:

<http://bit.ly/9yzNK7>

Healthy workplaces: a model for action for employers, workers, policy-makers and practitioners WHO, 2010

<http://bit.ly/9kZIVM>

In the introduction to this model for action, the authors note that ‘workers’ health, safety and well-being are vital concerns to hundreds of millions of working people worldwide. But the issue extends even further beyond individuals and their families. It is of

paramount importance to the productivity, competitiveness and sustainability of enterprises, communities, and to national and regional economies’.

‘Currently, an estimated 2 million people die each year as a result of occupational

accidents and work-related illnesses or injuries. Another 268 million non-fatal workplace accidents results in an average of three lost workdays per casualty, as well as 160 million new cases of work-related illness each year. Additionally, 8% of the global burden of disease from depression is currently attributed to occupational risks'.

The Global Plan of Action has five objectives:

1. To devise and implement policy instruments on workers' health
2. To protect and promote health at the workplace
3. To promote the performance of, and access to, occupational health services

4. To provide and communicate evidence for action and practice
5. To incorporate workers' health into other policies

It also provides a framework for the development of healthy workplace initiatives which can be adapted to diverse countries, workplaces and cultures. The principles outlined are based on a systematic review of the global literature 'Healthy workplaces: a global framework and model: review of the literature and practices'.

This background document is also available at: <http://bit.ly/9kZIVM>

Check the latest information about health at work in Wales at: <http://bit.ly/avwVMP>

Save the Children

Women on the Front Lines of Health Care: State of the World's Mothers 2010

The focus of this report is on the critical shortage of health workers in the developing world, and the urgent need for more health workers to save the lives of mothers, newborn babies and young children.

Every year, 50 million workers in the developing world give birth with no professional help and 8.8 million children

and newborns die from easily preventable or treatable causes.

This report identifies strategies and approaches that are succeeding in the fight, and demonstrates that effective solutions are affordable even in the world's poorest countries.

Access online at <http://bit.ly/cT2wBE>

Implementing national health observatories: operational and strategic recommendations

Gattini, C

Office of the Pan American Health Organization, 2009

This document outlines the operational approach and strategic recommendations for the implementation of national health observatories. A national health observatory is operationally assumed to be 'a policy-oriented virtual-based national centre aimed at performing

systematic and ongoing integrated observation on relevant issues about population health and health systems, in support of effective and evidence-based health policy, planning, decision-making and action in public health and health systems'.

The document is available online at
<http://bit.ly/bZliSb>

**Department of Health
Health Inequalities Enhanced Support Programme Resource Manual 2010**

The HINST programme has published a resource manual containing a range of information, resources and tools, including a series of 'How to guides' and 'Masterclass reports'.

Titles include:

- A systematic approach to achieving effective and comprehensive care for patients with diabetes

- How to model the scale of use of evidence-based interventions necessary to hit targets on reducing inequalities in life expectancy
- How to develop and implement a Balanced Scorecard to tackle health inequalities

All can be downloaded from the web at:
<http://bit.ly/cgnFyI>

**Social Determinants of Health: The Canadian Facts
Mikkonen J and Raphael D, 2010**

This recent report looks at 14 social determinants of health, outlines why these are important, how Canada is doing in addressing them and what can be done to improve their quality.

The document aims to promote greater awareness in Canada of the social determinants of health, and the development and implementation of public policies that improve their quality. This can be accessed online at
www.thecanadianfacts.org

**Public Health Reports
Supplement on Social Determinants of Health
Volume 125, no 4, 2010**

This special supplement focuses on the Social Determinants of Health in the on-going battle to prevent and control HIV/IDS, Viral Hepatitis, Sexually Transmitted Infections and TB.

Access this online at
www.publichealthreports.org/

Conferences and Courses - Wales

Welsh NHS Confederation

Embracing the challenges – changing conditions.

An international conference on managing chronic conditions; prevention, delivery and sustainable solutions for adding living to life.

Date: 10-11 November 2010

Venue: City Hall Cardiff.

Interest in chronic conditions management has grown considerably in the last five years, but has care improved? Has a focus on prevention worked? What have we learnt so far?

This conference draws on the expertise of leading international experts to prevent illness, improve services and find sustainable and affordable solutions for the future.

A collaboration between the Welsh Assembly Government, Welsh NHS Confederation, National Leadership and Innovation Agency for Healthcare (NLIAH) and Public Health Wales, this conference demonstrates the unique integrated approach to health and social care in Wales.

Speakers include:

Professor Chris Ham - Chief Executive, The King's Fund

Edwina Hart AM - Minister for Health and Social Services

Sir Ranulph Fiennes - world-renowned explorer

Dr Raphael Bengoa - Regional Minister for Health, Basque Government

Professor Laurie Taylor - social psychologist, writer and broadcaster

For more details, download a brochure or booking form: <http://bit.ly/dr8RcG>

The Faculty of Public Health's Cochrane Lecture

Guest Speaker: Professor Sir Michael Marmot

Date: 11 November 2010

Venue: City Hall Cardiff (At above conference)

The lecture is open to non-delegates at conference. You must register in the same way, indicating attendance at lecture only. The lecture will start at 1630. Delegates can also register from 1530 on the day.

Download a booking form: <http://bit.ly/dr8RcG>

Institute of Welsh Affairs

Paul Robeson, Aneurin Bevan and Joseph Stalin: Socialism and the Rights of Minorities

Date: 3 August 2010

Venue: Eisteddford Lecture, Swansea University

For further information about this lecture email: wales@iwa.org.uk or visit the web at www.iwa.org.uk

**SMIDOS Wales course
Inside DfID Funding Programmes****Date: 28 August 2010****Venue: Cardiff**

A number of training courses are being run by SMIDOS (Small and Medium sized International Development Organisations in Wales). All sessions are free – maximum of 25 people so book early. For further details email enquiries@smidos.com or visit the website: www.smidos.com

Masters in Public Health**Date: September 2010****Venue: Glyndwr University, Wrexham**

Glyndwr University are now accepting applications for September 2010 for Masters in Public Health. For further information visit their website:
<http://bit.ly/9bPolv>

Children in Wales**Introduction to soft outcomes and distance travelled****Date: 14 September 2010****Venue: Rhyl**

A course for managers and practitioners who want to demonstrate that their intervention has really made a difference to the people they are supporting. The course will look at the importance of measuring the soft outcomes that your intervention has achieved for the people you work with.

For further details contact bookinga@childreninwales.org.uk or visit the web at www.childreninwales.org.uk

Healthcare Alliances training course**Team Based Working****Date: 14 September 2010****Venue: Cowbridge**

For further information about all the courses and training offered by Healthcare Alliances visit the web at www.healthcarealliances.co.uk/?KSP

Wales Council for Voluntary Action
Volunteering Conference: 'Volunteers in focus'
Date: 15 September 2010
Venue: Caernarfon

This conference aims to raise the profile of volunteers in their organisations, promote good practice in volunteer management, and provide up to date information on relevant volunteering issues.

For further information on these and the other courses offered by WCVA contact 0800 2888 329 or email help@wcva.org.uk or visit the web at www.wcva.org.uk

Children in Wales
'See Me, Hear Me': promoting the rights of disabled children
Date: 15 September 2010
Venue: Rhyl

The UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with disabilities was ratified by the UK in June 2009. The purpose of the Convention is to “promote, protect and ensure the full and equal enjoyment of all human rights and fundamental freedoms by all persons with disabilities and to promote respect for their inherent dignity.”

This training day will explore how this Convention, the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child and other documents can be used to promote the rights of disabled children to have the same access to everyday opportunities that non-disabled children take for granted.

For further details contact bookinga@childreninwales.org.uk or visit the web at www.childreninwales.org.uk

Healthcare Alliances training course
Managing Change Effectively
Date: 15 September 2010
Venue: Cowbridge

For further information about all the courses and training offered by Healthcare Alliances visit the web at www.healthcarealliances.co.uk/?KSP

Learning Disability Wales
Understanding Community Care Law – Carers
Date: 15 September 2010
Venue: Cardiff

For further information about this course and others offered by Learning Disability Wales email training@learningdisabilitywales.org.uk telephone 029 20681160 or visit the web at www.learningdisabilitywales.org.uk

Children in Wales
Parental Mental Health and Its Impact on Children
Date: 16 September 2010
Venue: Merthyr

This course is for anyone working with children and families who wishes to increase their understanding of the impact of parental mental ill health on child development, and to explore ways of supporting families where there is mental disorder.

For further details contact bookinga@childreninwales.org.uk or visit the web at www.childreninwales.org.uk

Children in Wales
Against the Odds: building resilience in young people
Date: 21 September 2010
Venue: Old Colwyn

Why do some young people cope with difficulties more easily than others? What factors really make a difference to how we deal with adversity? What can practitioners do to make a difference?

This course explores how you can develop an approach that build on strengths to help young people deal with adversity, cope with change, survive disappointment and manage crises.

For further details contact bookinga@childreninwales.org.uk or visit the web at www.childreninwales.org.uk

Learning Disability Wales
Understanding People with Learning Disabilities
Date: 22 September 2010
Venue: Port Talbot

For further information about this course and others offered by Learning Disability Wales email training@learningdisabilitywales.org.uk telephone 029 20681160 or visit the web at www.learningdisabilitywales.org.uk

Children in Wales
Introduction to Children's Rights and Participation
Date: 23 September 2010
Venue: Cardiff

An introductory course using a range of participatory methods for practitioners and managers in the social care, health, education and public protection services.

The course is for those who are new to this area of work, or for people who wish to update their knowledge of the 'Rights' based agenda which is developing in Wales.

For further details contact bookinga@childreninwales.org.uk or visit the web at www.childreninwales.org.uk

Learning Disability Wales
Introduction to Benefits for Disabled Adults
Date: 23 September 2010
Venue: Cardiff

For further information about this course and others offered by Learning Disability Wales email training@learningdisabilitywales.org.uk telephone 029 20681160 or visit the web at www.learningdisabilitywales.org.uk

Children in Wales
Supporting Fathers' Groups in Early Years
Date: 23-24 September 2010
Venue: Llandudno

Building on the theory developed in An introduction to Working with Fathers, this course provides a toolkit to help create and sustain a 12-week programme for a father's group.

For further details contact bookinga@childreninwales.org.uk or visit the web at www.childreninwales.org.uk

SMIDOS Wales course
Monitoring and Evaluation International Projects
Date: 25 September 2010
Venue: Cathedral Road, Cardiff

A number of training courses are being run by SMIDOS (Small and Medium sized International Development Organisations in Wales). All sessions are free – maximum of 25 people so book early. For further details email enquiries@smidos.com or visit the website: www.smidos.com

Learning Disability Wales
Making Information Easy to Read and Understand
Date: 29 September 2010
Venue: Cardiff

For further information about this course and others offered by Learning Disability Wales email training@learningdisabilitywales.org.uk telephone 029 20681160 or visit the web at www.learningdisabilitywales.org.uk

**Healthcare Alliances training course
Management, Relationships and Myers-Briggs
Dates: 29 and 30 September 2010
Venue: Cowbridge and St Asaph**

For further information about all the courses and training offered by Healthcare Alliances visit the web at www.healthcarealliances.co.uk/?KSP

**United National International Day of Older People
'Promoting Active and Healthy Ageing': a conference and a public lecture
Date: 30 September 2010
Venue: Cardiff**

At this conference delegates will have the opportunity for networking with staff working with older people, and to contribute to the discussions and debates on innovative ways to promote active and healthy ageing, and highlighting best practice and current policy initiatives.

To register for the conference apply for a registration form to Professor Peter Elwood: pelwood@doctors.org.uk giving title, name, organisation and email address. A registration fee of £30.00 will be requested (£20.00 if before 30th August).

To register for the public lecture apply for a registration form to Andrew Emery by email: community@cardiff.ac.uk. The lecture is free but entrance will only be on prior registration.

**Wales Health Impact Assessment Support Unit and West Midlands Health
Observatory
'Ready to Do' Health Impact Assessment
Date: 4-7 October 2010
Venue: Gregynog**

The course assumes some prior knowledge of Health Impact Assessment. If there is sufficient demand a pre-course workshop will be offered. The course is very practical and involves participants in planning for an HIA for a realistic scenario.

For further details contact Liz.Green@wch.wales.nhs.uk

**Children in Wales Annual Conference and AGM
Date: 5 October 2010
Venue: To be confirmed**

For further details contact bookinga@childreninwales.org.uk or visit the web at www.childreninwales.org.uk

NEURODEM Cymru 4th Annual Scientific Conference**Date: 13-14 October 2010****Venue: Novotel Hotel, Cardiff**

The 4th Annual Scientific Conference on the Wales Dementias and Neurodegenerative Diseases Research Network – programme to be announced.

For enquiries contact Brenda Ellis, Dementia Services Development Centre, Bangor University by email: b.ellis@bangor.ac.uk or telephone 01248 383719.

Autism Cymru**Intensive Interaction****Date: 20 October 2010****Venue: Glyndwr University, Wrexham**

This seminar looks at meeting the fundamental communication needs of people who have severe learning difficulties and/or autism.

Booking forms and further information is available on request. Please email Jennie@autismcymru.org or telephone 029 20463263.

Children and Young People's Research Network Annual Conference**Date: 4 November 2010****Venue: SWALEC Stadium, Cardiff**

The conference will combine presentations on topics related to children's health research, together with a research poster exhibition drawn from studies across Wales.

For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/c9pxv8>

Autism Cymru**Positive Behavioural Support and ASD****Date: 16 November 2010****Venue: National Botanic Garden of Wales, Carmarthen**

This seminar will examine current practice in relation to positive behavioural support and autism spectrum disorders, exploring approaches that are not only effective, but help the individual to move on from behavioural and emotional challenges.

Booking forms and further information for each event is available on request. Please email Jennie@autismcymru.org or telephone 029 20463263.

5th Annual Velindre NHS Trust R&D Conference**Date: 18 November 2010****Venue: SWALEC Stadium Cardiff**

The call for papers and guidelines for the 5th Annual Velindre NHS Trust R&D Conference have been published.

For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/aYw4Uw>

Learning Disability Wales Annual Conference 2010**Date: 23-24 November 2010****Venue: Newport**

This year's conference theme is Money. Learning Disability Wales are looking for people and organisations to share their stories of good practice in the area of money. Please contact Rebecca Watkins on 029 20861160 or email Rebecca.watkins@learningdisabilitywales.org.uk

RCGP Wales Conference**General Practice in Wales Good Today, Better Tomorrow - 2020 vision****Date: 26 November 2010****Venue: Mercure Holland House Hotel, Cardiff**

The Conference will include plenary and workshop sessions and will provide the opportunity for certified CPR Training updates. Full programme details and how to register will be available on the website: www.rcgp-wales.org.uk

Conferences and courses – England

Imperial College London – Faculty of Medicine**International Course in Nutritional Epidemiology (2nd Ed) and WRCF International Conference****Date: 31 August – 10 September 2010****Venue: Imperial College South Kensington Campus, London.**

The 9 day full time course will be followed by the two-day World Cancer Research Fund International Conference. This conference will focus on the science and policy aspects of nutrition and physical activity relating to cancer prevention.

The course will be of benefit to those already involved in postgraduate research. Participants will gain the knowledge and skills that are needed to work as a nutritional epidemiologist. There will be particular focus on current controversies in this field.

For more details follow this link: <http://bit.ly/aHKwyT>

12th Annual Meeting of the Society for Research on Nicotine and Tobacco Europe**Date: 9 September 2010****Venue: University of Bath**

The mission of the SNRT Europe is to stimulate the generation of new knowledge concerning nicotine and tobacco at any level of research, from molecular to societal. The theme of the conference will be Translating Science to Policy.

For further information visit the website: <http://www.srnteurope.org/>

World Cancer Research Fund International 2-day Conference**Date: 12-13 September 2010****Venue: Royal College of Physicians, London**

This new conference will provide a forum for the dissemination of results in the nutrition, physical activity and cancer field and will examine how this knowledge can be used by policy-makers to inform and generate thinking and ways of preventing cancer. Both science and policy aspects will be included throughout. The main conference themes will cover the current challenges in the field of food, nutrition, physical activity and weight management in relation to cancer prevention and how these can be addressed (and built upon) to create future opportunities.

For further information visit the website: <http://www.wcrfconference.org/>

Health Protection 2010**Date: 14-15 September 2010****Venue: University of Warwick**

Health Protection 2010 will showcase the latest scientific research and its practical application in: Preventing and reducing infectious diseases; Minimising the impact of radiation, chemical and environmental hazards; and Preparing for potential or emerging threats to health.

For programme and booking details visit the website:
<http://www.healthprotectionconference.org.uk/>

Procurement in the NHS 2010: ensuring value for money**Date: 15 September 2010****Venue: The Bridgewater Hall, Manchester**

Last year saw the launch of the Commercial Operating Model, and this second annual Procurement in the NHS conference provides an ideal opportunity to consider the new NHS procurement and commissioning model. How much progress has been made in establishing the new Commercial Support Units? How is the NHS Supply Chain securing best value in procurement? Is World Class Commissioning being delivered? These

questions and more will be discussed at this event. For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/cVpbRJ>

Cancer Care Congress

Date: 15-16 September 2010

Venue: Manchester Central, Manchester

The Cancer Care Congress is a large scale, 2 day multi-stream event, designed to deliver a “whole pathway” agenda around cancer services. Hosted by Health Service Journal and Nursing Times and supported by Government Departments and agencies, professional associations and the third sector, the Cancer Care Congress features plenary sessions and focused streams, with an accompanying exhibition and networking opportunities.

To register call 0845 056 8299, email: conferences@emap.com or visit the website www.cancercarecongress.com

Safety 2010 World Conference

Date: 21-24 September 2010

Venue: Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, London

Safety 2010 is a major world conference bringing stakeholders in the prevention of unintentional injuries and violence from around the world to debate, discuss and exchange information and experiences. The conference will be co-sponsored by the World Health Organization. The key theme of the conference is Safe and Equitable Communities. This theme has been chosen to reflect the disproportionate burden from almost all types of injuries that falls on poorer communities. Such differences are apparent both within countries, between countries and even between global regions. The conference programme will cover all aspects of injuries and safety.

For further information visit the website: <http://www.safety2010.org.uk/>

Lean Government: implementing change to create more value

Date: 23 September 2010

Venue: The Barbican, London

The coalition between the Conservatives and the Liberal Democrats undoubtedly signals change, not least to the delivery of public services, particularly with the need for efficiency savings. Organisations need to be proactive in delivering efficiency savings by eradicating excesses and delivering value for money, and introducing lean thinking and processes can help to reduce the inordinate amount of public sector waste. This conference will brief delegates on the public sector financial environment for the next few years and highlight lean approaches to delivering improved and more efficient services.

For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/b3mZyj>

Centre for HIV and Sexual Health
National Conference: Sex and the Law, - Criminalisation? Protection? Rights?
Date: 23 September 2010
Venue: Sheffield

A one-day conference exploring issues surrounding sex and the law, providing information and a forum for debate. For further information visit the website:

<http://www.sexualhealthsheffield.nhs.uk/>

Royal Society for Public Health
Diploma in Occupational Medicine
Date: 27 September – 8 October 2010
Venue: Portland Place, London

This ten day course is designed for GPs seeking foundation training in occupational medicine, with a view to obtaining the Faculty of Occupational Medicine's Diploma in Occupational Medicine qualification. The course will prepare candidates for the Diploma, written examination and portfolio.

For further information visit the website: www.rsph.org.uk

SRA Training
Introduction to Research Commissioning
Date: 29 September 2010
Location: London

The SRA provides a comprehensive programme of training to support the professional development of social researchers. A wide range of Introductory courses are available which are intended for those who are new to the profession or to the topic or approach covered by the course.

Other courses and dates include: Introduction to Research Commissioning 29 September; Essentials of Survey Research Design 14th October; Introduction to Research Project Management 20th October; Designing a qualitative study 4th November; In depth interviewing 9th November and Cognitive Interviewing 11th November. All courses are in London.

For further information visit the website: www.the-sra.org.uk/training.htm

Public Health: promoting health and challenges ahead
Date: 30 September 2010
Venue: The Barbican, London

The challenge to improve and maintain the health and wellbeing of the population is a difficult undertaking. The phrase 'prevention is better than cure' is often quoted; however, with the UK on the verge of an obesity epidemic, over 100,000 people dying each year from smoking related illnesses and deaths from illegal drug use far too frequent, clearly we are not sufficiently successful in the area of 'prevention'. This conference will explore the

way forward to safeguarding a healthier nation and will debate policies that can make a real impact.

For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/dyBuKh>

Centre for HIV and Sexual Health

Boys 'R' Us

Date: 4-5 October 2010

Venue: Sheffield

This free course will enable workers to deliver a six-session sexual health and self-esteem group work programme to boys and young men and to look at the context within which boys and young men live their lives. The course will help participants to gain the skills and confidence to plan and deliver a practical programme of work for groups of boys and young men between the ages of 13 and 19. The course will profile previous successful programmes and will include practical exercises and activities.

For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/dsSyOC>

Centre for HIV and Sexual Health

An Introduction to Working with Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual (LGB) Service Users

Date: 18 October 2010

Venue: Sheffield

This one day course will give participants a basic introduction to the issues to consider when working with lesbian, gay and bisexual (LGB) service users. The training will give participants an opportunity to explore: The context in which LGB people live their lives; The impact that homophobia & heterosexism have on the lives of LGB people; How services can make practical changes to improve access and service delivery for their LGB service users.

For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/dsSyOC>

4th International Dementia Conference: Coming of Age: dementia in the 21st Century

Date: 19-21 October 2010

Venue: ExCeL, London

The conference will address the needs of people with Alzheimer's disease and other types of dementia.

For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/9J83iT>

Innovation and Excellence in Ward-Based Critical Care Conference**Date: 21 October 2010****Venue: Hamilton Place, London**

Innovation and excellence in clinical practice needs to be shared and developed. This one day event provides the minute changes, experiences, data and ideas to take back to your place of work.

For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/cmEUWu>

Centre for HIV and Sexual Health**An introduction to sexual health****Date: 1 November 2010****Venue: Sheffield**

A one-day training course covering the basic aspects of sexual health for Sheffield workers and volunteers. The course will cover the following: How to raise issues of sexual health with clients/groups; Sexually Transmitted Infections; Contraception; and Condom demonstration. For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/dsSyOC>

Young People in Focus**Working with Troubled Teenagers – the impact of adversity and trauma****Date: 3-4 November 2010****Venue: Birmingham**

Many young people have experienced adversity and trauma in childhood. These experiences have a lasting impact on the way young people view the world and the people in it. Many workers are presented with behaviours and reactions that they find challenging and, or, hard to understand. This two-day course aims to explore the impact of these experiences and offers practical interventions that can help young people to recover. It is suitable for all staff working with children and young people who have experienced abuse, trauma, neglect, loss, separation, interrupted or poor family relationships.

For further information contact the course coordinator Lise Hansel by email: lhansen@youngpeopleinfocus.org.uk or telephone 01273 693311.

National Cancer Research Institutes Cancer Conference 2010**Date: 7-10 November 2010****Venue: BT Convention Centre, Liverpool**

The NCRI Cancer Conference is the major forum in the UK for showcasing the best British and international cancer research.

For further information visit the website: <http://www.ncri.org.uk/ncriconference/>

**Royal Society for Public Health
Legionnaires' Disease: Through the Looking Glass
Date: 16-17 November 2010
Venue: Portland Place, London**

Even though it's been over 30 years since the first recognized outbreak of Legionnaires' disease, there are still many aspects of this infection that are not understood. Speakers will share their experiences of managing outbreaks in hospital and health care settings, hotels, ships and communities. They will highlight emerging environmental and climate change factors, as well as looking at how London is preparing for the control and prevention of legionella infections at the 2012 Olympics.

For further information visit the website: www.rsph.org.uk

**Involve Conference 2010: public involvement in research: innovation and impact
Date: 16-17 November 2010
Venue: East Midlands Conference Centre, Nottingham**

A conference for all those with a common interest in public involvement in NHS, public health and social care research. The focus of this conference is on innovation and impact including: the ways in which the public are involved in research - new approaches; understanding the impact of public involvement - how it makes a difference; and providing a platform for research on public involvement in research.

For further information visit the website: <http://www.invo.org.uk/Conference.asp>

Conferences – International

**Academy for Health Equity
Achieving Health Equity in the Era of Health Care Reform
Date: 18-20 August 2010
Venue: Littleton, Colorado USA**

The conference will feature presentations from the many different disciplines involved in Health Equity research and application. It will be useful to researchers, practitioners and policymakers.

It will be of particular interest to those wishing to apply the latest theories and principles to help disadvantaged communities.

For more information, visit: <http://bit.ly/d1QSD8>

American College of Chest Physicians: Guidelines International Network Conference 2010 - Improving Knowledge, improving outcomes.**Date: 25- 28 August****Venue: Chicago, Illinois, USA**

Bringing together professionals involved in evidence-based guideline development, quality improvement and health policy aimed at improving patient outcomes.

For more details visit the website: www.gin2010.org

13th European Symposium on Suicide and Suicidal Behaviour**Date: 1-4 September 2010****Venue: Rome, Italy**

This 13th Symposium's theme is the Integration of knowledge for an interdisciplinary approach to suicidology and suicide prevention.

For further information visit the website: <http://www.esssb13.org/>

Dignity for the frail old**Date: 2-5 September 2010****Venue: Bergen, Norway**

As European society ages, dignity and choice for the frailest citizens are especially endangered. This conference seeks to describe the current situation and show possibilities for the future, and to determine principles for the better care of frail older Europeans.

For more information, email: bergen@dignityold.com or telephone Mrs Barbro Danielsen : +47 55 39 77 41.

To register, email: registration@dignityold.com or telephone Mrs Lilly Hausberg: +47 92 01 62 26.

European Association for Communication in Healthcare**International Conference on Communication in Healthcare 2010****Date: 5-8 September 2010****Venue: Verona, Italy**

Topics for the 2010 Conference include: Basic and applied research in clinical communication; Teaching clinical communication skills; Shared decision making in general hospital and hospital practice; Communication and emotion and Communication in cancer care.

For further information visit the website: <http://www.each-conference.com/>

5th Annual Research Conference on Homelessness in Europe**Date: 17 September 2010****Venue: Budapest**

The key theme for this year's Conference is "Understanding Homelessness and Housing Exclusion in the New European Context".

For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/aZ6OoQ>

6th Conference on New Frontiers in Microbiology and Infection**Salmonella: from basic science to clinical issues****Date: 3-7 October 2010****Venue: Villars-sur-Ollon, Switzerland**

The objectives of the conference are: to transfer knowledge between basic and clinical microbiologists as well as infectious diseases specialists, and allow for sharing of best practice on key themes.

For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/bjtqPt>

13th European Health Forum Gastein**Date: 6-9 October 2010****Venue: Austria**

The EHFG is the leading health policy conference in Europe. The main objective is to facilitate the establishment of a framework for advising and developing European health policy while recognising the principle of subsidiarity.

In the face of the financial crisis in health and health systems across Europe, decisions are needed now to guarantee our future wellbeing.

For further information visit the website: <http://www.ehfg.org/index.php>

IX International Congress Autism-Europe: a future for autism**Date: 8-10 October 2010****Venue: Catania, Sicily**

The main theme of the Congress 'A Future for Autism' will build on the most recent advances in scientific knowledge and contemporary approaches to disability in order to investigate the best possible future for persons with ASD and their families.

For further information visit the website: <http://www.autismeurope2010.org/>

12th Congress of Association for Health Information and Libraries in Africa (AHILA)**Date: 11-16 October 2010****Venue: Burkina Faso**

The theme of this conference will be Health Information in Africa: Meeting Our Goals. For further information visit the website: www.ahila.org

Summit Conference: Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C**Date: 14-15 October 2010****Venue: Brussels**

A summit Conference on Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C in October 2010 will bring together major stakeholders for the first time to analyse new and existing information and engage in targeted discussions in a manner to enable European policy makers and other stakeholders to devise public policies in response to the epidemic of Viral Hepatitis B and C in Europe. Specifically, the Conference will present scientific data and other evidence to a targeted audience to encourage the formulation of a European-wide strategy on the communication, prevention and management of Viral Hepatitis as a healthcare priority.

For further information visit the website: <http://hepsummit2010.org/>

International Symposium on Breast Cancer Prevention: nutrition, communication and public policy**Date: 18-19 October 2010****Venue: Purdue University, USA**

The international breast cancer and nutrition (IBCN) group is organizing a multidisciplinary symposium on approaches to breast cancer prevention that focus on nutrition, communication and public policy. This initiative recognizes that different countries have unique perspectives which would benefit a sustained international effort to prevent breast cancer, and that the education of trainees in cross-disciplinary and international collaboration is an essential component in addressing global public health-related issues.

For further information visit the website: <http://www.purdue.edu/breastcancer/>

2nd Annual Health Literacy Annual Research Conference**Date: 18-19 October 2010****Venue: Hyatt Regency Bethesda, USA**

The Health Literacy Annual Research Conference will be an interdisciplinary meeting for investigators dedicated to health literacy research. Key speakers include Professor Don Nutbeam.

For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/986g2Y>

AICR Annual Research Conference 2010**Date: 21-22 October 2010****Venue: Washington DC**

This conference is for scientists, clinical investigators, epidemiologists, dietitians, nutritionists, policy makers and other health professionals interested in food, nutrition, physical activity and weight management in relation to cancer.

For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/9AvR02>

Child in the City 2010**Date: 27-29 October 2010****Venue: Florence, Italy**

The Child in the City conference 2010 aims at encouraging cities all over Europe to create child friendly public spaces.

For further information visit the website: <http://childinthecity.com/>

7th Men's Health World Congress 2010**Date: 28-30 October 2010****Venue: Nice, France**

This year's Men's Health World Congress will provide a one-stop shop for comprehensive multidisciplinary scientific exchange and solutions in urology, cardiology, endocrinology, oncology, sexual medicine, mental health, primary care, public policy, education and aging. For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/bslMiT>

2010 Canadian Conference on Global Health**Date: 31 October – 3 November 2010****Venue: Ottawa, Canada**

This year's conference provides the opportunity for the critical interface with other emerging crises and the need to ensure that health is placed front and centre as a priority issue that needs to be addressed. The following issues will be discussed: the economic crisis, the movement of people (forced migration and refugees), armed combat, climate change, pandemics and transparency and governance. For further information visit the website: <http://bit.ly/bGXBMb>

American Public Health Association 138th Annual Meeting and Expo**Date: 6-10 November 2010****Venue: Denver, USA**

This annual meeting will look at current and emerging health science, policy, and practice issues in an effort to prevent disease and promote health.

For further information visit the website: <http://www.apha.org/meetings/>

Pharma-Bio-Med 2010**Date: 8-11 November 2010****Venue: Seville, Spain**

A conference for all information and informatics professionals in the pharmaceutical, biotechnology, medical and health sciences industries.

For further information visit the website: <http://www.pharma-bio-med.com/>

First Global Symposium on Health Systems Research**Date: 16-19 November 2010****Venue: Montreux, Switzerland**

This first symposium is dedicated to improving the scientific evidence needed by health policy-makers and practitioners to inform their decisions related to accelerating universal health coverage.

Topics covered include: finance, workforce, services, technologies, information, and governance, as well as understanding how policies and programmes from within and beyond the health sector can be developed and implemented effectively, efficiently, and equitably.

For further information visit the website: <http://www.hsr-symposium.org/>

Information and Library Services**Customer Corner: What do you think?**

Customer Comment: 'Some of the books on your shelves have 'for reference only' what does this mean?

Our response: Thanks for the query. We make every effort to avoid using library jargon, and guess that as we are so used to this phrase we didn't think it was! What this means is that the item can only be used in the library and cannot be borrowed.

Customer Comment: ‘Thank you for your kind assistance with my church project. I was very impressed with the prompt response, and am very grateful for the excellent products you sent me. I’m sure the children will enjoy them.’

Our response: ‘This is really helpful comment from one of the many customers using the Health Challenge Wales leaflets’. It is good to know that these are useful and that the service is meeting its standards for assistance and prompt delivery.

Library Standards 2010

As part of our quality programme, the library standards are reviewed annually to make sure these continue to meet customers’ needs.

The most important change to this for 2010 is the **increase** in the number of items that members can borrow from **8** to **10**.

We have also made a change to the **training guide** which is available in print, but is not on the web in the same format. We will be reviewing the training guide again later in the year and will let everyone know about any changes in the next issue of the newsletter.

Library membership information

To make sure we are providing all new members with the information they need about the library we constantly review this.

Recently at a seminar organised by the South East Wales Regional Library Partnership, best practice on marketing services was discussed. It was agreed that marketing should focus on the benefits for customers, and not on the details of the products or services themselves. It was also stated that ‘less is more’ in marketing.

As a result, and also to help us save on the amount of paper we print, we will be piloting new library membership information for the next six months. We will for example provide basic information about our service standards and a link to the full details on our website. All customers will however still have the choice to receive all library membership information in print in full, as well as in alternative formats. If you have any comments about this proposal let us know – all ideas to help us cut down on costs are welcome.

European Association for Health Information and Libraries (EAHIL)

The EAHIL conference was held recently, and all papers and reports from the conference are available on the EAHIL web pages at www.eahil.net

where Sue Thomas was re-elected as Co-Chair, and Tomas Allen WHO Librarian in Geneva was also elected to this position.

The Public Health Information Group held a very successful business meeting,

This is an excellent opportunity to strengthen links with WHO, and it is good

to report that colleagues from the WHO ePortugese network were also able to join in our meeting.

Three areas of work were agreed to be taken forward by the group:

1. The Global Health Library and signposting to global evidence. As part of our discussions, it was agreed following comments from our WHO colleagues that we should look to develop signposts to best information from reliable sources. To take this forward the officers will meet with colleagues from WHO at the forthcoming International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions conference in August.
2. Consumer Health information and in particular the themes of

partnership working between health and public libraries and health literacy. Our colleague Ivana Truccolo from Italy is the lead officer for this work.

3. A Thomas and Tomas public health blog! All members agreed that we needed a virtual space so that we could be more actively involved in meeting our aims of disseminating information and sharing best practice. To do this and make best use of Web 2.0 Tools we agreed to pilot a public health information blog, aptly named Thomas and Tomas! So watch this space and as soon as it is up and running we'll have a link from the Health Promotion Library's pages.

Library Statistics

Our performance statistics for March-June 2010 are:

- Answered 1847 enquiries
- Provided 103,683 leaflets in response to 274 orders to the Health Challenge Wales literature line
- Provided 250 photocopies and items borrowed from other libraries
- Registered 97 new members
- Loaned or renewed 937 resources

And all were achieved in our target times: 2 working days for all enquiries; 5 working days for photocopies and distribution of Health Challenge Wales leaflets.

Future Issues Your Contributions Needed

We are really grateful for all the contributions received for this issue of the newsletter.

We'd love to have even more for the next issues. Remember we want to publicise what is happening in your area – we

know that customers really want to get this information, so let's tell them!

The copy date as published in this issue is simply a guide – you can send us copy at any time and we will do all we can to get it into the relevant issue.

Please also pass the newsletter on to anyone who you think might be interested in receiving it, and continue to put up on notice boards as we know many

customers already do. If you want to be added to the distribution list it's easy – just ask us.

The copy date for the next issue to be published in **Autumn 2010** will be **Wednesday 1st September 2010**.

Library Services

Don't forget you can contact the Library for:

- **Book Loans** - free postal loans available with Freepost returns
- **Enquiries** - for information on all issues in public health
- **Advice and support** - for your literature searches
- **Training** - both group and individual coaching
- **Publications** - New Books Bulletin to keep you up-to-date with new materials
- **Health Challenge Wales Leaflet Orderline** – order health improvement and health protection leaflets

Contact us by:

Enquiry line: 029 2068 1239
Leaflet orderline: 0845 606 4050
Minicom: 029 2068 1357
Fax: 029 2067 1381
Email: hplibrary@wales.gsi.gov.uk
Web: www.wales.gov.uk/healthpromotionlibrary
www.wales.gov.uk/healthchallenge

Opening Times:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm
Wednesday 9.00am - 7:00pm

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