

Media Release

Community invited to SaTH engagement events

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Two community engagement events are being held next month for residents served by Shropshire's two acute hospitals.

The Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust (SaTH), which runs the Royal Shrewsbury Hospital (RSH) and Princess Royal Hospital (PRH) in Telford, is hosting the Community Working Together sessions on 3 and 5 September.

Residents will be able to hear about what the Trust is doing following last year's CQC inspection and the work that is taking place to move out of special measures. The Lead for Patient Experience at SaTH, Ruth Smith, will also be hosting a workshop focusing on patient strategy. The two events are being held on:

- Tuesday 3 September 2019 10am until 12noon Meeting Point House, Telford
- Thursday 5 September 2019 10am until 12noon Hamar Centre, RSH

The agenda includes:

- Urgent Care Update (including A&E)
- NHS Long Term Plan
- Patient strategy
- CQC and special measures update
- Questions from the community

The meetings are open to everyone living in the areas served by both hospitals. Anyone who would like to sign up can do so via Eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/the-shrewsbury-and-telford-hospital-nhs-trust-24564280682

Two further events are planned for December when Medical Director, Dr Arne Rose, will give an update on medical staffing and his first six months with the Trust. They will be held on:

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- Thursday 5 December 2019 10am until 12noon Hamar Centre, RSH

Kate Ballinger, Community Engagement Facilitator for SaTH, said: "We are committed to working with our communities to make sure we deliver the best healthcare for people living in Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin and Mid Wales.





"These Community Working Together meetings in Telford and Shrewsbury are open to everyone who wants to come along and find out what is happening at their hospitals. They will also be able to talk to the team about anything that they think we need to know."

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Notes for Editors:

- The Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust is the main provider of acute hospital care for almost 500,000 people from Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin and mid Wales. Patients come to us from Telford, Shrewsbury, Ludlow, Oswestry, Bridgnorth, Whitchurch, Newtown and Welshpool in Powys.
- The Trust continues to work with its partners in health and social care in Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin and mid Wales to develop patient-focused services that meet the needs of our communities.
- If you have any feedback about local healthcare, independent support and signposting is available from Healthwatch Shropshire, Healthwatch Telford and Wrekin and Powys Community Health Council (CHC):
 - Healthwatch Shropshire: 01743 237884 or email the team via enquiries@healthwatchshropshire.co.uk
 - Healthwatch Telford and Wrekin: 01952 739540 or email info@healthwatchtelfordandwrekin.co.uk
 - Powys CHC: 01686 627632 or email enquiries.powyschc@waleschc.org.uk

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