

The Supporter Newsletter

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Calling all Carers

The Wakefield Recovery and Wellbeing College would like to invite all carers and those working with carers to join us online at the next Carers Network meeting, on the Thursday 2nd December 1.00pm-3.00pm, via MS Teams.

The meeting is to inform Carers in our local communities, about things happening in the area (as well as across the South West Yorkshire NHS Trust) district.

If you would like to attend, please let us know by Tuesday 30 November, so that we can add your name/email address to the meeting attendees and arrange for the teams joining link to be sent directly to you.

Contact: 01924 316946

Email: wakefieldrecoverycollege@swyt.nhs.uk

We look forward to hearing from you. And if you'd like to tell your story as a carer, please let us know as we'd love you to speak at the meeting (3)

roviding Online Self-Help for Eating Disorders

in Adults with Type

Adult Eating Disorders at Yorkshire and the Humber Clinical Network (NHS England and NHS Improvement) are conducting a patient and carers survey and are working to ensure they can capture the community's patient and carers voice around eating disorder pathway development.

Patient and Carer Survey:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=0e138yrDUEaGY5_D7HlLhDCcBGMgjyVGtBd4Q5IRDfFUNUMxMVFVUUM2T0NOUzlySFIBRVg1WU9OQy4u

If you are a patient or carer and would be interested in completing this survey, just click into the above link...

Thank you

Carers Wakefield and District

Calling all Carers (old and new)

For more information check out Carers Wakefield & District

CARERS RIGHTS DAY AND AGM

This year we will be holding our AGM alongside our event to celebrate national Carers Rights Day. We will hold our AGM following which we will have an information event with three workshops for carers to attend. The workshops will focus on subjects close to carers hearts and carers will have the chance to attend all three workshops. We will also be inviting other organisations to bring information stands and all those attending will be provided with an individual packed lunch to enjoy in place of our normal buffet.

The event will be held or

Thursday 25th November

Sandal Rugby Club, Standbridge Lane, Sandal, WF2 7DY

AGM to start at 9.00am

Carers Rights Day event to start at 9.45am and finish around 1.30pm

Workshops:

- Wakefield Council recently commissioned a survey which highlighted that many Carers worry about what would happen to their loved ones if something happened and they were unable to provide their usual level of care. They are keen to work with Carers to develop contingency planning arrangements for situations such as this which may arise from time to time.
- Alison Wright will hold a presentation on wills and trusts and power of attorney.
- Citizens Advice Bureau will present on benefits and the services that they
 provide.

Places are limited so please ring (01924) 305544 by 9th November to book a place. Please can you let us know of any special dietary requirements that you may have.

If you are unable to attend in person or would prefer to join us online, then please contact us with your email address as we are hoping to have the facility to allow carers to attend the event virtually.



Mid Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust are looking for volunteers with lived experience of mental illness to support the Trust's vision in the striving for excellence in complex needs forward plan. This lived experience can be personal or as a carer of someone with a mental illness. We are seeking two members to join our complex needs delivery group who can support Mid Yorkshire Hospitals to improve the care of patients with complex needs (learning disabilities, autism, dementia, delirium, mental health).

For further information on how you can support the Trust to improve the care and treatment of those with a complex need please contact Richard Bunn (Matron for Complex Needs) on 01924 543692.

Become a champion

Help people to have a choice

Support people to think about their future wishes

Listen to people who are experiencing loss and bereavement









#BePartOfMYTeam

Do you support**people or groups in your community?**Would you like to get a better understanding of:

Ways people can make choices about their future care wishes

Working together making a difference

- How you might support people who are bereaved
- What further information and support is available to people

Join our Webinar

Thursday 2nd December 12:30 – 16:00 OR Tuesday 18th January 09.30·13.00

For further details contact: janec@st-gemma.co.uk/Janet.Millard@wakefieldhospice.co.uk





Course	Date	Time
On yer bike – spinning class	Starts 19 October – join when you like, over a year period	6.30-7.30pm
Wild Things	Starts 25 October – join when you like over a year period	11.00-12.30pm
Boogie Bounce	Starts 3 November – join when you like over a year period	10.00-11.00am
Yoga	Starts 5 November – join when you like over a year period	10.00-11.00am
Learn more about IBS	15 November – Fieldhead Campus	12.30-3.00pm
Creative writing – basic	18 November – online (4 weeks)	1.30-4.00pm
Freedom from Fibromyalgia	22 November (3 weeks) Fieldhead Campus and online	1.00-3.00pm
Baking for Christmas	24 November (3 weeks) The Link, Castleford	1.00-3.00pm
Recognising burnout	29 November - online	1.00-3.00pm
Dyslexia awareness	25 November - online	10.30-12.30pm
Body Image	30 November - online	10.00-11.30am
Introduction to personality disorder	6 December - online	10.00-12.00pm
Coping with life using relaxation	7 December - online	2.00-3.30pm
Effective breathing and mindfulness	13 December – online	10.30-12.00pm

Free courses out now!

Just a selection of our college courses – to find out more details or enrol on a course, check out our website www.wakefieldrecoverycollege.nhs.uk

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We are busy planning our next terms programme of courses and would be interested to hear from you with regards to what topics you would like to learn more about. They can be practical as well as covering health and wellbeing conditions. What about you men out there, what would you like us to cover? We are waiting to hear from you....

REMEMBER THE 5TH OF NOVEMBER

Flames shoot up to the sky
Coloured lights from rockets upward fly
Exploding showers of myriad colours bright
The evening sky once dark now light.

WHIZZ BANG LOUDLY RANG

Jumping jacks to give a fright Around your feet at night

Smoke from the bonfires to fill your eyes
Look up to the skies
Sparklers in our hand
Look so grand
Silver showers circle round
Sparks fall harmlessly to the ground
Children gaze in wonder
As fireworks explode with thunder.

Bonfires burn with flames and smoke upright

Late into the autumnal night
Then die down to embers burning
Chestnuts in fire turning
Parkin sweet and sticky
Pinning Catherine wheels to posts – so
tricky

They spin and whizz then expire Has it all finished we enquire?

Smoke is all that we then remember On that fifth of November But we remember that old plot Unsuccessful was it not?

So, history still has a say: In what we do today.

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News about our Creative Writing course

Thursday 18 November 2021 ... now postponed to the new year

1.30pm-4.00pm – over 4 weekly sessions

Have you ever wanted to write an article for a magazine, a short story, a poem or even a book? Why didn't you? If the reason was that you lacked the confidence in your creative writing, then this is the course for you.

Over the sessions, you will work through exercises to help you develop your writing flare and word power. You will look at what makes a "good piece of writing" and how you can improve. You will work in groups most of the time, but some individual work will be involved.

This course is aimed at students who want to be able to express themselves in the written word. It is not therefore important to be a strong speller or have any formal qualifications in English, just a wish to improve your current skills. This course will involve some handwritten work and may involve some work at home after the class. Equipment will be provided, and each student must be able to commit to attend all 4 weeks of the course.

Still places available, we have had great feedback from previous students on this course who have now gone on to more advanced courses.

Interested? Then go to our website and enrol

www.wakefieldrecoverycollege.nhs.uk or give us a call 01924 316946



















Guided imagery



Guided imagery or visualization is a powerful strategy that anyone can use. Use the power of your senses to help you to focus your imagination in a positive way.

Guided imagery is a form of meditation and can be used interchangeably with the term guided meditation or self-hypnosis.

Guided imagery can deliver messages deep inside – positive, healing or motivating messages – through using simple images or sensations that are received in a relaxed state.

Evidence Based Research

It has been reported, through many studies over the las 40 years, that guided imagery has a positive impact on health and well-being as well as on attitude, behavioural change, and peak performance. Check out the following facts:

- It can heighten short- term immune cell activity, and it can speed up healing.
- It's been shown to reduce blood loss during surgery and the need for pain relief afterwards.
- Less than 10 minutes of hypnotic guided meditation can reduce stress, blood pressure, cholesterol, and haemoglobin A1C levels in the blood.
- · Guided imagery lowers anxiety and pain.
- It increases intention in weight loss and smoking cessation.
- It can increase performance in sports, confidence in acting, singing, exams and public speaking.
- And it has been proven beneficial during medical procedures e.g., chemotherapy, radiotherapy, biopsy, and dialysis.

Remember:

- Guided imagery works best when you are relaxed. Don't worry about "doing it right". You will get better with practice.
- Imagery is generally more powerful in a group setting. So, a support group or class is great way to start.
- It's more effective when you engage all your senses. E.g., music, if chosen carefully, will increase the effects of guided imagery.
- Imagery that provokes emotion is generally more effective.
- Use the same body posture and hand-positioning each time you practise. This will create an "anchor" that conditions you to respond immediately to the posture.
- To prevent falling asleep, sit up. You are likely to drop off to sleep during a session if you aren't used to being relaxed and awake at the same time.
- If you do fall asleep, you will still benefit from listening.
- Don't worry if your mind wanders or you lose track. This is common.
- Normal responses include feeling extremely relaxed and/or feeling extremely aware, with heightened senses; becoming tearful; coughing or swallowing; yawning, feeling heaviness or lightness in your limbs; feeling floaty; tingling along the top of the scalp or in your hands and feet, or experiencing minor, involuntary muscle-twitches.
- After time spent in guided imagery any aches and pains may have gone and you may feel free from any stress

PREPARATION

Switch off your mobile phone and go to a place where you won't be disturbed.

Sit comfortably in a chair. Have your legs uncrossed, both your feet flat on the floor and let your hands lie loose in your lap.

Close your eyes and imagine every single muscle in your body to be completely relaxed, relaxing each one in turn and imagining a wave of relaxation flowing over your body. Start to steady your breathing. Don't rush... you cannot hurry guided imagery!

EXITING THE ROUTINE

There are easy three ways you can finish the routine:

- •simply open your eyes when you feel ready
- •set a small timer/alarm for whatever length of time you wish
- •tell yourself you will open your eyes after whatever length of time you wish

Fixed term temporary job opportunities with our college

Recovery College Co-ordinator

Mental Health Primary Care - IAPT

South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, Wakefield

Band 5 Recovery College Co-ordinator – Fixed term temporary contract until the end of March 2022, full time, 37.5 hours per week (1.0 WTE). Secondment opportunities considered. The Wakefield Recovery and Wellbeing College have an exciting opportunity to expand their offer to under 18s (as part of ... Salary:

£25,655 to £31,534 pa

Posted:

09/11/2021

Job Type:

Fixed term

Closing Date:

23/11/2021

Staff Group:

Additional Professional Scientific & Technical

Job Ref:

378-W0591

Recovery College Co-ordinator

Mental Health Primary Care - IAPT

South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, Wakefield

Band 5 Recovery College Coordinator – Fixed term temporary contract until the end of March 2022, part time, 30 hours per week. Secondment opportunities considered. The Wakefield Recovery and Wellbeing College have an exciting opportunity to be a key part of the eating disorders and disordered ... **Salary:**

£25,655 to £31,534 pa

Posted:

09/11/2021

Job Type:

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For more information, please visit our NHS jobs website – South West Yorkshire Partnership Trust - https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/

Or contact our Principal Lindsey Taylor-Crossley on 01924 316946

MONDAY 🚗 SUNDAY **TUESDAY** WEDNESDAY **THURSDAY FRIDAY** SATURDAY New Ways November 2021 Respond to Sign up to join Try out a a difficult new way of activity or online situation in a being physically different way active Plan a new Be curious. Find out Find a new activity or idea you want to try Learn about a something new way to help or support a cause you care about new topic or an about someone inspiring idea Look at Make a meal life through using a recipe with someone someone else's or ingredient from a different eyes and see you've not tried generation their perspective before Share with Find a Try out a of your strengths in a new or creative way your artistic side. Design new way to tell different radio something someone you station or new appreciate them TV show greeting card Look for new reasons to be hopeful, even in tough times **ACTION FOR HAPPINESS** Happier · Kinder · Together



Be True To You Recovery C.I.C

One of our college partners, Be True To You Recovery C.I.C are looking for a volunteer with specific skills and knowledge in the benefit system.

Are you a friendly, welcoming & empathic individual? Do you have some free time to offer to our new service who will supporting clients with mental health and chronic illnesses? Do you have a knowledge and understanding of the benefit system and experience of applications?

Your Role:

Assisting clients in the navigation of the benefit system Making calls on their behalf with their consent Attending face to face assessments if required Filling out and filling applications for the client Reporting to your supervisor

Skills You Require:

Good communication skills both written and verbal Understanding of the benefit system

Understanding and empathy in relation to mental health and chronic illness

Organisation and time management skills

Ability to meet deadline for applications

Ability to work independently and seek support from your supervisor if/when required

What You Will Receive:

Being part of a new Social Enterprise and part of a team Opportunity to further develop skills and add the experience to your CV

Induction, DBS, and access to training sources Reasonable expenses

Supervision

Access to staff wellbeing

Please email us at enquiries@betruetoyourecoverycic.org with your cv and a brief description of why you feel this role is suitable for you

7 November at 16:26

Posted: