

Title of role:

Public Contributor - Strategic Health Inequalities, Prevention, and Population Health (SHIPPH) committee

Role Purpose:

We are looking for three public contributors to join the Bristol, North Somerset, and South Gloucestershire (BNSSG) SHIPPH committee.

The role of public contributors is to use their experiences and knowledge to bring an alternative perspective and voice to this committee.

Overview of the involvement activity:**Healthier Together**

[Healthier Together](#) is the name given to our Bristol, North Somerset, and South Gloucestershire Integrated Care System. The Integrated Care System (ICS) is comprised of ten partner organisations, including the three Local Authorities in our area, NHS Trusts, the new Integrated Care Board and community and General Practice providers.

Together, we work to improve health and wellbeing, reduce inequalities, and provide integrated services for the one million people living in Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire.

SHIPPH Committee

This SHIPPH is a new group which will oversee and support efforts to tackle [health inequalities](#) (unfair and avoidable differences in health across and between populations) and take a more preventative approach to health and wellbeing.

For example, cardiovascular disease, is a leading cause of heart attacks and strokes and can often be prevented. The committee might look at how well we are doing as a health and care system to help prevent cardiovascular disease.

We are seeking public contributors to join the committee to work alongside senior colleagues from organisations across the Integrated Care System.

Time commitment expected and duration of the activity:

Being part of the committee will involve attending meetings that are:

- Every other month
- Two hours long (the first meeting on Tuesday 8th October, 9.30am-1pm will be longer)
- Held in an accessible location or online (in person meeting locations may vary across Bristol, North Somerset, and South Gloucestershire)
- Attended by senior colleagues from across different organisations such as a Directors of Public Health in the Local Authorities and Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE) Chief Executives
- Chaired by Jeff Farrar, the Integrated Care Board Chair

The roles are initially offered for up to two years.

Experience and skills needed:

We are looking for public contributors who will act as a 'critical friend' and come to meetings ready to share ideas and opinions, ask questions and raise challenges or concerns.

We are also looking for people who are passionate about improving health and care services for people who face health inequalities and can bring their experience and knowledge to benefit the committee's work.

We are particularly encouraging applications from children and young people.

Reimbursement of expenses/ recognition fee:

As per the BNSSG ICB Reimbursing Expenses and Paying for Involvement Policy 2023, this role attracts a recognition fee of £20 per hour for attending meetings, preparing for meetings (30 minutes per meeting), plus travel expenses.

BNSSG Support for delivering the role:

This role will be supported by a named member of our team.

Some people may need reasonable adjustments due to disability and/or communication needs to ensure full participation in the activity.

Please let us know if this applies to you.

Interested?

To express your interest please write a short statement (up to 300 words) about:

- Why you are interested in the role
- What you would bring to the committee
- What you hope to gain from the experience.

Please send to bnssg.hip@nhs.net by 5pm on Wednesday 18th September 2024.

We will arrange informal meetings with people who are shortlisted and anticipate these meetings will take place on Tuesday 24th September.

Our intention is that Public Contributors will be ready to attend the first SHIPPH committee meeting on Tuesday 8th October, 9.30am-1pm in central Bristol.

If you have any questions, please contact us at bnssg.hip@nhs.net.