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FOUNDATION TRUST MEMBERSHIP MAGAZINE

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to the 2nd
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Pennine Acute
Membership
Magazine

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welcome

Dear Member



WELCOME to the 2nd issue of our Foundation Trust membership magazine. I would particularly like to welcome all the new members who have joined us since our last magazine. Thank you for joining.

I hope all our members, new and old, public and staff will find this magazine interesting and informative. There is a form in the magazine so that you can let us know what you think of this edition and what you would like to read about in the future – please take a few moments to fill it in and send it back to us.

Our public members will have received this magazine by post. In future we would like to send as many magazines as possible by email. Please let us know your email address if you have one. Phone or email the membership office or return the form in the magazine.

For our staff members, we have listened to your feedback from the last magazine and this

edition is being sent by email and by making it available in staff rooms and on wards alongside the monthly Trust staff magazine, Pennine News.

Foundation Trusts are accountable to their members. We have made real progress over the last year signing up more members of the public who wish to be involved in the Trust. We already have over 4,000 public members. We want to recruit another 6,000 by the end of 2012. Many of you will have joined up at our stands in the Arndale shopping centre in Manchester or in the Spindles town shopping centre in Oldham towards the end of last year. You may have joined up when Trust staff have been out and about in local communities explaining our plans. You may even have joined up as a result of seeing our Trust video on YouTube. We still have more work to do to recruit more members particularly in North Manchester. If you have any ideas or you can help, please get in touch.

Performance

We have improved performance across a wide range of our services over the last year. In particular, we have concentrated our efforts on improving patient safety, reducing mortality and infection rates, reducing waiting times and making sure the Trust is financially stable in the current economic downturn and beyond.

Over the past few months we have made major changes to the way some of our services are delivered. We implemented

these vital service changes and improvements as part of the Healthy Futures and Making It Better programmes and have spent around £100 million on buildings and equipment as a result.

Everything that we do from the ward to the Board is focused on providing high quality services and to making a real difference to our patients and our local communities. Our Annual Report and Quality Accounts for 2010/11 show the progress and improvements we have made. These are available on our web site, or why not come along to our Annual Public Meeting on 13 September 2011, which is this year at North Manchester General Hospital, and hear about these improvements for yourself.

Finally, we are beginning work in earnest to outline the role of Foundation Trust Governors. Over the coming months I will be holding informal events to meet members who are interested in becoming a public or staff governor in the Trust. An article later in this magazine explains more, but I do hope to see some of you at these events so that I can chat to you about this in person.

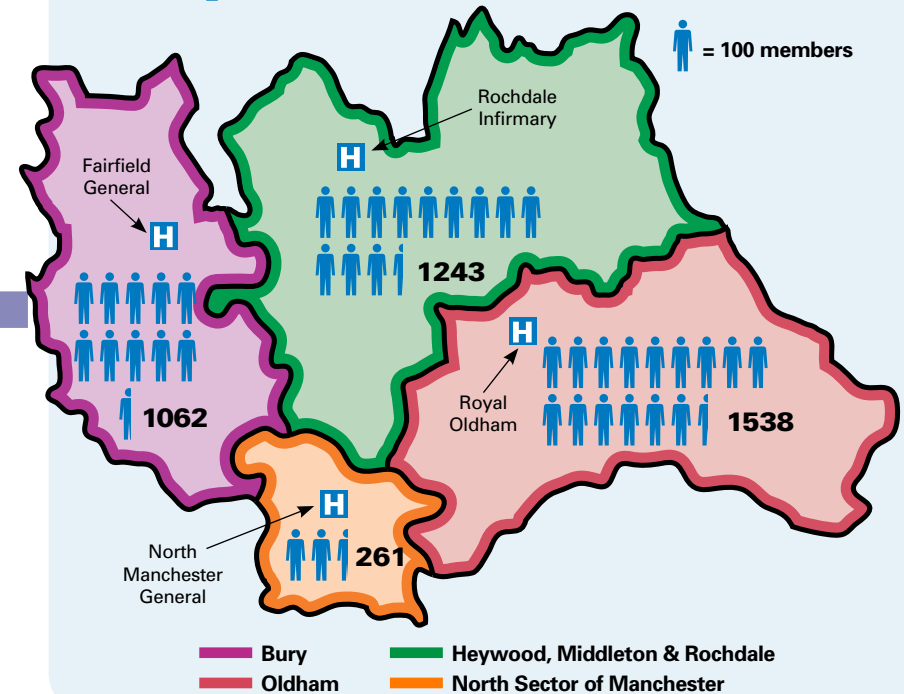
Thank you once again for your continued interest in and support of The Pennine Acute Hospitals NHS Trust.


John Jesky
Chairman

membership news

Since we formally consulted on our plans to become an NHS Foundation Trust in January 2010, we have received an enthusiastic response from our public and patients. To date we have over 4,500 public members and we are looking to recruit a further 6,000 new members over the next year.

Our public members



Patient Cancer Group signs up as FT members

PATIENTS and members of the Pennine Patient User Partnership (PPUP) have signed up to support and become Foundation Trust members. The PPUP has a membership of 72 patients, carers and healthcare professionals.

"We are very keen that members of the public and especially our patients are given every opportunity to become members of the Trust. We see real strength in local people and our staff becoming members of the Foundation Trust. NHS Foundation Trusts are accountable to their membership. Listening to and working with our staff and local people is important in making sure our services are fit for the future."

Dr Vivek Misra
Consultant Clinical Oncologist

New Membership Manager

Hello, I'm Angela and I am the Trust's new Foundation Trust Membership Manager. I've worked for the Trust for 20 years and have moved across from Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS). I'm based at Rochdale Infirmary but my role, which is principally about recruiting members, organizing FT events and supporting our members, is Trust wide.

We are committed to involving and listening to local people as FT members. I am here to offer information and advice on becoming a new member, explaining the benefits of being a member, and also to support you to have a greater voice and become more involved in the Trust's activities – perhaps as a governor or an active member.

I would be interested to hear from you if you have any ideas for future



membership events. Feel free to contact me directly on 01706 517302 or email ft.membership@pat.nhs.uk

Council of Governors

FOUNDATION Trusts are governed by a council of governors, who are elected from and by their members. The elected governors will attend meetings of the council of governors and hold the Trust Board to account on behalf of the local communities, Trust staff and stakeholders.

Public governors, governors from partner agencies and staff governors will form the Governors' Council. At least half of the council will be elected by the Trust's public FT members.

All public and staff members of the Foundation Trust are eligible to stand for election as a governor. Any member over the age of 16 can stand to be a governor.

The following list will make up the Governors' Council – a total of 42

governors. Under this composition public members will always be the group with the highest number of representatives. Public members will be entitled to vote to elect a governor from the electoral wards they live in.

Public governors

- Heywood, Middleton & Rochdale = 5 governors
- Bury = 5 governors
- North Manchester = 5 governors
- Oldham = 5 governors
- Other parts of England = 2 governors

Staff governors

- Staff = 7 governors
- 1 governor elected by medical and dental staff
 - 3 governor elected by nurses and midwives
 - 1 governor elected by allied health professionals and technical staff groups

- 2 governors elected by clinical support, administrative and all other staff groups

Appointed governors

Local Primary Care Trusts (PCTs) & Local Authorities = 8 governors (one PCT and one Local Authority governor from Bury, Rochdale, Oldham and North Manchester areas.

Greater Manchester

Local Chambers of Commerce = 1 governor
 Local Mental Health Trusts = 1 governor
 North West Ambulance NHS Trust = 1 governor
 Local Council for Voluntary Services = 1 governor
 LINKs = 1 governor

Discount for members

As a FT member of Pennine Acute Trust you are now entitled to discounts at a wide range of high street stores, top UK attractions and holidays with NHS Discounts.com.

NHS Discounts.com is the number one independent discount retailer resource for NHS employees and members.

Here's how it works. On the welcome page of NHS Discounts.com, click on the register now button and give them some basic information about yourself, under job description select member and for the postal code enter M8 5RB. Once your application has been verified they will confirm your user name and password and you can start shopping and saving.

Interested in being a governor?

WE are keen to hear from members who would consider becoming a governor. You do not need any special experience or qualifications to be a governor. You need to be enthusiastic, have a balanced judgement, and be willing to represent not just your own views but also the views of the people in your local community or staff group.

Elections will take place in Winter 2012 and training will be provided. We will be setting up a briefing session, and if you would like to find out more please contact us on 01706 517302 or email ft.membership@pat.nhs.uk.

Your Details

Have your details changed? Have you moved or changed your email address? If so, please inform the FT membership office so that we can ensure we address any correspondence correctly. Please complete and return the freepost form on the back page or call 01706 517302 or email ft.membership@pat.nhs.uk

Your hospitals

Top Ten Facts

In 2010/11 the Trust:

- 1) spent over half a billion pounds (about £1.5m per day) on providing healthcare services for local people.
- 2) invested £24.9million on capital programmes and in maintaining and improving the physical estate, and on smaller projects to develop front line clinical services.
- 3) spent £4million on medical and scientific equipment to support front line clinical services.
- 4) saw 310,688 A&E cases.
- 5) saw 694,500 outpatients and 218,277 total inpatients.
- 6) saw 78,240 day cases.
- 7) delivered 10,384 babies.
- 8) provided 1,749,068 meals.
- 9) laundered more than 4.4 million kilograms of linen.
- 10) provided 75,249 episodes of training and learning activities to staff in-house.

Changes to services

THE Trust has carried out a series of ward moves and vital major service changes across all its hospitals over the last year.

The changes are part of the Healthy Futures and Making it Better reconfiguration programmes which were agreed by the Secretary of State for Health at the time and an Independent Review Panel in 2007. The purpose is to ensure health services remain modern, safe and sustainable by centralising the resources, skills and expertise of doctors and nursing staff.

Around £100m of capital investment has been spent across the Trust as part of the service developments.

Vascular Services have been centralised at The Royal Oldham Hospital in a brand new unit and inpatient breast surgery has been centralised at North Manchester General Hospital.

As part of Healthy Futures, the Trust is creating two specialist

centres for emergency trauma and orthopaedic services at North Manchester and The Royal Oldham Hospitals. The purpose is to separate emergency and planned (or elective) surgery thus bringing together teams of specialist skilled doctors and nurses so that they can provide the very best care for patients. This means we have transferred services between Rochdale Infirmary and The Royal Oldham Hospital and Fairfield General and North Manchester General Hospitals to achieve this. This is the most efficient and effective way to use staff skills, expertise and resources to provide improved and safer services for patients.

These moves have only been possible as part of the Healthy Futures programme. They have helped create the largest Vascular unit in Greater Manchester; the General Surgical Units at The Royal Oldham and North Manchester General Hospitals serve populations in excess of

400,000 and are again the largest in Greater Manchester. This allows for greater specialisation than would have been the case in the former smaller services.

A new surgical triage unit has opened at North Manchester and the High Dependency Unit at Oldham has expanded. These service changes are all designed to improve the surgical management of both the elective and emergency surgical patient.

The changes to surgical inpatient services have resulted in clinical benefits and improvements to patient treatment and care. The centralisation of a number of services means a more efficient and effective use of clinical and nursing staff skills and resources to deliver improved services for patients.

As part of Making it Better, North Manchester and The Royal Oldham Hospitals are benefitting from new and enhanced facilities for women and children. See page 8 & 9.

From November 2009 to September 2011



What is at my local hospital?

North Manchester General

- A&E Department
- Critical Care Unit
- MAU (Medical Admissions Unit)
- General Surgery
- Breast Surgery
- Day Surgery
- Orthopaedic/trauma Surgery
- Rheumatology
- Palliative Care
- Diabetes
- Renal
- Sexual Health
- Cardiology
- Gynaecology
- Respiratory
- Stroke
- Infectious Diseases
- Rehabilitation & Care of the Elderly
- Pathology
- X-ray, MR & CT scans
- Anaesthetic & Pain
- Out-Patients (including blood tests)
- Oral Surgery
- Maxillo-facial
- ENT
- Urology
- Maternity
- Children's Unit
- Neonatal
- Carers Centre
- Macmillan support centre
- Antenatal clinic
- Neuro physiology dept
- Programmed Investigation Unit (PIU)

Fairfield General Hospital

- A&E Department
- Critical Care Unit
- MAU (Medical Admissions Unit)
- General Surgery – 23hour
- Orthopaedic Surgery
- Rheumatology
- Palliative Care
- Diabetes
- Renal
- Sexual Health
- Cardiology
- Respiratory
- Stroke
- Rehabilitation & Care of the Elderly
- Anaesthetic & Pain
- X-ray, MR & CT scans
- Out-Patients (including blood tests)
- Oral Surgery
- ENT
- Ophthalmology
- Urology
- Maternity
- Antenatal clinic
- Childrens Unit
- Programmed Investigation Unit (PIU)

Rochdale Infirmary & Birch Hill

- Urgent Care Centre
- CAU (Clinical Assessment Unit)
- PIU (Programmed Investigation Unit)
- Rheumatology
- Day Surgery
- Renal
- Sexual Health
- X-ray, MR & CT scans
- Anaesthetic & Pain
- Out-Patients (including blood tests)
- Ophthalmology
- Silver Heart unit
- Cardiology
- Out-Patients
- Antenatal clinic
- Cath Lab
- Antenatal day unit
- Palliative care
- Floyd Unit (Neurology rehab);

The Royal Oldham Hospital

- A&E Department
- Critical Care Unit
- General Surgery
- Orthopaedic Surgery
- Vascular Surgery
- MAU (Medical Admissions Unit)
- General Surgery
- Rheumatology
- Palliative Care
- Diabetes
- Gynaecology
- Renal
- Sexual Health
- Cardiology
- Respiratory
- Stroke
- Rehabilitation & Care of the Elderly
- Pathology
- X-ray, MR & CT scans
- Ophthalmology
- Anaesthetic & Pain
- Out-Patients (including blood tests)
- Urology
- Maternity
- Antenatal clinic
- Neonatal
- Children's Unit
- Antenatal day unit
- Haematology
- The Christie (radiotherapy)
- Victoria Breast Unit

Your hospitals

New Children's ward is one year old

LAST summer we opened our new unit for the care of pregnant women, babies and children at North Manchester General Hospital. June marked one year since the £35m unit was unveiled with the help of the Lord Mayor of Manchester. Since then, our hospital staff have welcomed thousands of patients and visitors to the new unit, including children who have been treated in the special Kids Observation and Assessment Liaison Area (KOALA).

On the second floor are the delivery suites, which feature private ensuite rooms. The top level is home to the antenatal and postnatal wards providing

warm, comfortable surroundings for parents and parents-to-be.

Eight-year-old Demitra Camara recently tried out the facilities at the hospital. Having a two day stay on the children's ward to remove a dental abscess, Demitra didn't want to go home

as she had her own TV and DS to play with on the ward! Her mother, Della Laryea, said: "The unit is really nice and welcoming for children. I was impressed with the building and the hardworking staff for whom nothing was too much trouble."



Friendly new unit is right medicine for poorly children at Oldham

A BRAND new dedicated facility to treat poorly children has opened at the The Royal Oldham Hospital. The new Paediatric Observation and Assessment Unit (POAU) opened at the end of June 2011 to provide a child friendly environment

where children can be cared for by a team of skilled children's nurses and doctors.

Previously, children under observation or needing acute medical care would be kept in the A&E department alongside adults or admitted to the children's ward at the hospital.

But the new unit now offers an area where children can be observed under the care of a paediatrician for a period of up to six hours.

The Trust has similar facilities at North Manchester and Fairfield hospitals.

Construction on Oldham's new £44m unit on schedule

Construction work on the Trust's new £44m women and children's development at The Royal Oldham is ahead of schedule.

Contractors and the Trust's department of estate development are making steady progress on the development which is due to open in December 2012. The new unit will provide services for women, babies, children and young people from Oldham, Rochdale and surrounding districts.

The development will represent the largest capital investment made to date by the

Trust and is an integral part of the Making it Better programme to improve children's, maternity and neonatal services across Greater Manchester.

Once complete, The Royal Oldham Hospital will be one of three regional centres providing the highest level of intensive care to the smallest and most vulnerable babies. The hospital will provide the modern facilities, staff and skills required to care for the most complex cases. The new neonatal unit will house 37 neonatal cots and 110 expert staff will treat around 550 babies each year. Parents of small and

vulnerable babies to the north of the city will no longer have to travel as far to access the highest level of care. It is expected that the new children's and maternity service will treat approximately 8,000 children a year from the Oldham, Rochdale and adjacent districts, in a new state-of-the-art children's unit.

Vinci Construction, who is the lead building contractor, is supporting the Trust's new In Your Hands fundraising appeal through raising money in conjunction with MedEquip4Kids. See p13.

New UCC opens at Rochdale Infirmary replacing A&E

THE new GP-led Urgent Care Centre (UCC) has seen over 17,000 new patients in four months to August, roughly 100 - 150 per day, since it opened in April 2011.

The UCC replaced the A&E department and Walk-in centre at Rochdale Infirmary as part of Healthy Futures. The UCC is open 24 hours, 7 days per week, 365 days a year. It is run by experienced nurses, nurse practitioners and a GP. They can treat non life-threatening walk-in injuries and ailments, which don't require an A&E department,

but cannot wait for a GP or on-call doctor's appointment.

A&E is for life-threatening and serious situations. The nearest A&E departments are at:

- Fairfield General Hospital, Rochdale Old Road, Bury, BL9 7TD
- The Royal Oldham Hospital, Rochdale Road, Oldham, OL1 2JH
- North Manchester General Hospital, Delaunays Road, Crumpsall, M8 5RB

Your nearest A&E facilities for children are also based at these sites.

Clinical Assessment Unit (CAU)

A new overnight and short stay Clinical Assessment Unit (CAU) for adults opened at the same time as the UCC on 4 April 2011. The new 12 bed unit (with six trolleys) provides rapid patient assessment and treats patients who have been referred directly from their local GP, from the community, or come via the new Urgent Care Centre. Patients are assessed, observed and treated on the CAU usually up to a maximum of 48 hours. Within the CAU is also the specialist day case Programmed Investigations Unit (PIU) which provides regular planned treatment and management of patients with chronic disease.

Rochdale Infirmary does NOT have an Accident & Emergency Department.

New high-tech CT scanner at Fairfield to benefit patients

OVER 8,000 patients a year are set to benefit from a £626,000 investment in radiology services at Fairfield General Hospital in Bury.

The Trust has recently installed a brand new CT scanner which is housed in the x-ray department at the hospital. The new state-of-the-art scanner is a replacement for the previous scanner which was 10 years old. The new scanner delivers high

quality images at a significantly less radiation dose.

Dr Judith Mather (pictured), site lead for radiology at Fairfield, said: "The new scanner is faster than the old 4 slice CT. While this does not mean we can scan more patients, it allows us to collect a large amount of data very quickly, which makes the procedure much more comfortable for the patient and ensures a top quality examination. The detail is

excellent, and the processing software allows us to create images in different planes and also in three dimensions."

In October 2010, the Trust Board agreed to invest £2.2 million in three new 'high-tech' modern CT scanners for The Royal Oldham, North Manchester and Fairfield General Hospitals. A new CT scanner was replaced at Rochdale Infirmary in 2008.



".....TO PROVIDE THE VERY BEST CARE FOR EACH PATIENT ON EVERY OCCASION....."

making the headlines

Staff Awards 2011

BRITISH Olympic athlete and TV presenter Sally Gunnell OBE was this year's special guest at the Trust's annual Staff Awards in July.

The awards consist of 12 categories which recognise the very best of patient care, dedication and innovation among staff within the hospitals run by the Trust. Nominations for awards are put forward by Trust staff.

Sally said: "It was a real honour to have been asked to be part of Pennine Acute Trust's staff awards this year. It has been a fantastic event, enjoyed by everyone. These awards are an opportunity to thank those staff that go the

extra mile and have shown strong leadership, innovation, can do attitude and exemplary patient care. The winners of these awards are true champions and should be congratulated!"

The event was supported by a number of sponsors including: Vinci; NG Bailey; Weightmans; Securitas; Oldham College; Philips; G2 Speech; CACI and iSOFT.



Clean Bill of health for hospitals

THE Trust and its hospitals were given a clean bill of health and a glowing report in March 2011 by the independent regulator of health care in England, the Care Quality Commission (CQC), following a routine review by inspectors.

The Trust received a series of spot checks and visits by the CQC at each of its hospitals in January 2011.

The CQC found all our hospitals to be fully

'compliant' and meet all the essential standards and outcomes of quality and patient safety.

Then in July 2011 North Manchester General Hospital was again given a clean bill of health by the CQC following a review inspection as part of its national dignity and nutrition programme. The programme focuses on whether people are treated with dignity and respect, and whether they get food and drink that meets their needs.

The review, which was carried out in May and covered 100 hospitals randomly selected across England, was part of a targeted inspection programme in acute NHS hospitals to assess how well older people in particular are treated during their hospital stay. North Manchester General was found to be 'compliant' with meeting all the essential standards to ensure that patients are treated with dignity and respect and their nutritional needs are met.

Quality Accounts 2010/11

QUALITY ACCOUNTS are annual reports to the public from NHS providers about the quality of services they provide. They are required by Government in an effort to strengthen and maintain the

focus on quality of care for patients.

The Trust has published its Quality Account report for 2010/11 which is available on the Trust and NHS Choices websites. The report focuses on the work in the Trust to

improve patient safety, clinical effectiveness and patient experience.

If you have any comments or feedback on this report, please email ft.membership@pat.nhs.uk or call 01706 517302.

Mark of respect for front line medics

Representatives from 207 (Manchester) TA Field Hospital (Volunteers) recently presented a commemorative print to honour and thank the work that the Trust and its staff do to support the Territorial Army.

Several members of Trust hospital staff volunteer as reservist medics with the Territorial Army Medical Services Unit. Many returned to the UK earlier this year following a four month tour of Afghanistan after leaving their civilian day jobs last

year at local hospitals across Pennine to work at Camp Bastion. The Bastion hospital is staffed by the Territorial Army (TA) medic units on a three month rotation with the regular Army, so medical services can be sustained without having an adverse impact on the NHS in the UK.

On accepting the presentation John Jesky, Trust Chairman, said: "The Trust fully supports our brave, dedicated and highly skilled staff who choose to volunteer with the Territorial Army. We recognise and applaud

the vitally important role that our staff bring to the medical unit. And, in turn, the experience, skills and qualities that our staff develop from their involvement with the TA can be offered and transferred to colleagues to develop the services we provide to patients here. We are very proud of their commitment and bravery. They all do a tremendous job under very different and challenging conditions supporting our service personnel."



In your hands appeal launched with a Fiz!



The Trust's In Your Hands Appeal was launched in February 2011 by actress Jennie McAlpine, Coronation Street's Fiz Stape. The appeal was named following a competition in The Oldham Evening Chronicle and prize winner Tamanna Begum was treated to a VIP day kindly donated by Oldham Athletic Football Club.

The appeal aims to raise £200,000 in two years in support of the new women and children's development

currently being built at The Royal Oldham Hospital. This includes a new Level 3 neonatal unit for vulnerable and poorly babies. Pledges amounting to £90,000 were received at the launch from Vinci Construction in conjunction with MedEquip4Kids and their contractors, Housing Units, Woman of Oldham, Saddleworth Round Table and Liquid and Envy Night Club.

For more information visit the Trust website at www.pat.nhs.uk/inyourhands



your choice

Dates for your diary

The Trust's Annual Public Meeting (APM) will be held on Tuesday 13th September 2011 at the Post-graduate Centre, North Manchester General Hospital. Chairman, John Jesky, will be joined by the Trust's chief executive, John Saxby, executive directors and other members of the Trust Board where the Trust Annual Report and Financial Accounts for 2010/11 will be formally adopted and questions taken from the floor. The programme will also

include presentations from clinical guest speakers including Dr Alec Bonington, Consultant in Infectious Diseases, and the Maxillo-Facial Team.

Light refreshments will be available from 5.45pm, with the formal APM starting at 6.30 pm. Staff, the public and our FT members are welcome and invited to attend. To book your place contact Lesley Holland 0161 918 4283 or email lesley.holland@pat.nhs.uk.

Membership Events

All sessions are free and open to all members, but we do ask that you reserve your place by emailing, Angela Greenwood, FT Membership Manager ft.membership@pat.nhs.uk or calling Angela on 01706 517302. Please let us know if you have any special requirements.

Subject	Date	Time	Venue/Location
Visiting Policy Review We would like to hear your feedback about our Visitors' Policy. Your views will help shape our new policy, so come along to one of our engagement events.	31 August 2011	2pm – 4pm	North Manchester General Delaunays Road Crumpsall Manchester M8 5RB
	2 September 2011	2pm – 4pm	Fairfield General Hospital Rochdale Old Road Bury BL9 7TD
	6 September 2011	3pm – 5pm	The Royal Oldham Hospital Rochdale Road Oldham OL1 2JH
Trust Annual Public Meeting The Trust Annual Report and Financial Accounts for 2010/11 will be formally adopted and questions taken from the floor. The event will also include presentations from clinical staff including Dr Alec Bonington Consultant in Infectious Diseases, and the Maxillo-Facial Team.	13 September 2011	5.45 – 8pm	Post-graduate Centre North Manchester General Hospital Delaunays Road Crumpsall Manchester M8 5RB
Winter Flu Presentation by David Clements, emergency planning coordinator, about how the Trust and individuals are planning and preparing themselves for winter flu, including information about flu jabs for older and vulnerable/ high risk patients.	26 September 2011	2pm – 3pm	Afternoon - Education Centre, Fairfield General Hospital, Bury.
		6pm – 7pm	Evening – Post-Graduate centre, North Manchester General Hospital
Super Bugs Presentation by Dr Ivor Cartmill, Consultant Microbiologist, about winter bugs including Noro-virus.	21 November 2011	2pm – 3pm	Afternoon – Education Centre, The Royal Oldham Hospital
		7pm – 8pm	Evening – Education Centre, Rochdale Infirmary
Rheumatology Hub Presentation by Dr Neil Snowden about planned changes to inpatient Rheumatology Services and the creation of a new Rheumatology Service at Rochdale Infirmary in 2012.	24 January 2012	2pm – 3pm 7pm – 8pm	Afternoon & Evening - presentations at the Education Centre, Rochdale Infirmary, Whitehall Street, Rochdale, OL12 0NB

your voice

Cardiology & Stroke Consultation

Planned changes to improve cardiology and stroke services across the Trust have been subject to an independent clinical review carried out in March 2011 by Professor Roger Boyle, the Government's former lead for cardiology and stroke. The transfer of elements of the cardiology service at Rochdale Infirmary, such as the interventional work and day services provided at the Silver Heart Unit, are subject to a formal public consultation and engagement exercise.

In order to ensure that our local communities have a voice in the configuration of Cardiology and Stroke Rehabilitation services it was agreed that a full public consultation should be undertaken. The 12 – week public consultation on cardiology and stroke services will be led by Healthy Futures and begin in October 2011. Local patients, public, partners, staff and key stakeholders will be consulted. The feedback will be used to influence the final decision that will determine the preferred option for the future of both Cardiology and Stroke Rehabilitation Services across the north east of Greater Manchester.

For more information visit Healthy Futures online at www.healthyfutures.nhs.uk

Tell us what you want to receive as FT members

We aim to provide members with a mix of news, health promotion topics and membership related information to let you know what's happening at The Pennine Acute Hospitals NHS Trust. We have planned a series of membership events and we would welcome any comments or ideas for future events.

Please complete the tear off slip on the back page or contact the FT membership office on 01706 517302 or email ft.membership@pat.nhs.uk

Small change Big difference

The Pennine Acute Hospitals Charity is a registered charity set up to support the Trust by funding equipment, training and research to help us provide the best standards of care for patients.

Money raised can be for use throughout the Trust's hospitals, but if you prefer you can donate to or raise funds for one particular hospital or even a specific ward or department.

Last year the Charity received income of £762,000 in the year 2009/10 and spent £785,000

during the year on medical equipment, patients' amenities, staff education and welfare and research.

The charity would like to thank all those who have made donations or organised fundraising events for wards and departments at each of our hospitals. We are particularly pleased that the Link4Pink Appeal in support of the Victoria Breast Care Unit at The Royal Oldham Hospital recently reached its target and provided a much needed larger waiting area for patients and relatives.

Save us money

Email and text (SMS) are inexpensive ways for us to keep you updated about the Trust, its services and FT membership events and activities. Please provide us with your email address and mobile number (if you haven't already) if you are happy for us to contact you in this way.

We need more members

Sign up your friends and family up too. The more members we have, the stronger your voice becomes. As a member take advantage of the discounts at a wide range of retailers through NHS Discounts.com.

Membership is free, with no obligation, and is open to anyone aged 14 and over. For more information, or to register to become a member, visit online at www.pat.nhs.uk/foundationtrust or call Angela Greenwood 01706-517302 at the FT membership office.

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your comments

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Foundation Trust membership

I am interested in becoming a Foundation Trust member

Volunteering

I am interested in volunteering in the Trust

The Pennine Acute Hospitals NHS Trust Charity

I am interested in raising funds or making a donation to the Charity

For existing members - if your details have changed, or you are able to provide a mobile number or email address, please tick here and complete the form below with your details.

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