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MENOPAUSE: HEALTH WATCHDOG TO SEEK VIEWS

The health services watchdog for North Wales – the North Wales Community Health Council (NWCHC) - wants to hear from people about their experiences of Health Services during menopause.

The NWCHC will be hosting a series of events across the region inviting patients, their carers and their families to talk about all aspects of Health Services in North Wales affecting people whilst going through the menopause.

Mr Geoff Ryall-Harvey, Chief Officer for NWCHC said *“This is an opportunity for people to have their say. We know that in the build up to (perimenopause) and during the menopause, many may need to access a whole range of different health services and their experiences might vary considerably. It is vital that we are able to present the feedback we receive to those who make decisions and policies about health services in North Wales”*.

Mr Ryall-Harvey went on to say *“We want to hear from as many as possible. Our events will be held across the region and will be structured around a number of aspects about health services such as compliments, concerns and complaints, care planning, care provision and communication. We understand that in some instances, people might wish to share their experiences in a more confidential way and we will ensure that there is an opportunity for such discussions to take place privately. We will*

be providing people with the opportunity to meet either in person, or remotely over video-conference if they so wish. Further events will be arranged in due course.”

The events will scheduled are

Date	Time	Venue
Monday, 27 June	10.00 – 12.00	Zoom meeting
Monday, 04 July	09.00 – 13.00	Main Hall, Penrhyn Hall , Ffordd Gwynedd, Bangor LL57 1DT
Thursday, 07 July	09.00 – 12.00	Main Hall Gwelfor Community Centre , Ffordd Tudur, Morawelon Holyhead LL65 2DH
Wednesday, 20 July	13.00 – 15.00	Zoom meeting
Monday, 26 September	09.00 – 13.00	Assembly Hall Llandudno Town Hall Lloyd Street, Llandudno LL30 2UP
Tuesday, 27 September	10.00 – 12.00	Zoom meeting
Monday, 03 October	09.00 – 13.00	Performance Space Ty Pawb Market Street, Wrexham LL13 8BB
Wednesday, 12 October	09.00 – 13.00	Quay Building Fron Road, Connah’s Quay, Flintshire CH5 4PJ
Monday, 17 October	13.00 – 15.00	Zoom meeting
Tuesday, 15 November	11.30 – 15.00	Denbigh Town Hall

Those wishing to attend will need to register in advance by contacting the North Wales Community Health Council on tel: 01248 679284 (*nb there is an answerphone system in operation – please leave a message and a member of our team will be in touch*) or by e-mail yourvoice@wales.nhs.uk

You can also register your attendance by filling in an on-line registration Form by using the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/6TKDWDiY6s>



NB Registration is on a first come, first served basis but we will put on additional sessions as necessary

Note for editors

1. North Wales Community Health Council (CHC) is an independent statutory organization which represents the interests of patients and the public in the National Health Service in North Wales. It came into being on 1 April 2010 as part of the reorganization of health services in Wales and covers the counties of Conwy, Denbighshire, Flintshire, Gwynedd, Wrexham and Ynys Môn. The six counties have a combined population of around 675,500.
2. The Community Health Council has six local committees, one covering each of the six counties. Each local committee comprises members drawn from three sources: councillors nominated by the relevant local authority, people nominated by the local voluntary sector organizations and local people appointed by Welsh Assembly Government.

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