

Essex Training



Open Door



Welcome to the eightieth issue of Open Door, the newsletter especially for Home Choice Care Workers.

Home Choice Care now provide over **8,800** visits per week to clients and patients. We deliver over **20,000** hours of care per month. **Thank You** for helping us achieve this. By working together and covering all those extra shifts and sickness/absences you have helped maintain our hours. Well Done!

Welcome back from the holidays for the many of you have been off over the summer. Thank you to everyone who has covered the calls to enable holidays to be taken - we are a 24 hour, 7 day a week care company responsible for the lives of a lot of vulnerable people so we must make sure that our service users are well looked after through holidays as well as normal weeks.

Jane Scott, National Care Director, and I are planning to hold a meeting with every care worker over the next 3 months. We want to give everyone a chance to make suggestions, comments or discuss improvements to your branch's working and activities. To hold this meeting we plan to agree a date then hold 3 separate meetings, **1 at 10 am**, the next at **2 pm** and finally at **6 pm** to try and give everyone a chance to attend without disrupting your calls for the day. Watch out for your branches date. We will give at least 2 weeks notice and send out the date with your schedules, as well as a message on your pay slips.

Justin Jewitt, Chairman

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CARE WORKERS - £200 Reward



Don't forget if you have a friend with NVQ 2 qualifications and they are successful you could receive £200 once they complete their probationary period.

Home Choice Care helps people live independently in their own homes by providing care workers to help with their daily needs

Well Done!

We are continuing to receive compliments from service users and social services and I am pleased, to once again, list all of you have been individually mentioned.

In July we received **32** compliments and here are the care workers who were named. Amanda Jiggins x **3**, Martha Wilson, Sarah Freeston x **2**, Cathy Aske x **2**, Carrie Morgan x **2**, Diane Howlett, Nicola Barker, Donna Shelly, Anita Evans, Merelyn Collins, L Hardy, D Gilman, C Appleton, T Paoli Burke, L Dudsova, Lucy Critch, Helen Griffiths, Amanda Taylor, Annabel Moss, Nicola Batson, Emma Young, Maxine Spence, Sam Walsh, Bernadette Trunks, Karen Beale, Sheila Murrell, Mark Saunders.

Jo Aspey received **3** compliments during June and July but was missed in the last newsletter. Well done to everyone and thank you.

Thank You again to all care workers, field care supervisors and everyone working in the office and on-call, for all your hard work and commitment to delivering a quality service to all our service users.

Welcome to all our new care workers who have started since the 1st Jul 2007: Bernadette Trunks, Emma Cleary, Samantha Walsh, Gemma Anderson, Bonita Bryant, Karen Beale, Lauren Strudwich, Teresa Cross, Liana Coatup, Julie Watson, Lynne Smith, Deborah Lewis, Lynne Spencer, Hayley Whymark and Kerri Burton.

