

State of Caring 2023 conference

Rights, Recognition and Responsibility - improving support for unpaid carers

Thursday 9 November 2023

Online

Time	Session
9.00am	Join the conference
10.00am	Welcome and introduction David Brindle , Journalist and care sector commentator, former Society Guardian Editor
10.10am	Keynote – State of Caring 2023 – reflections and review Helen Walker , Chief Executive, Carers UK
10.20am	Keynote: Making life better for unpaid carers Helen Whatley , Minister of State for Social Care (invited)
10.35am	Fireside chat: Carers and next steps for social care and the NHS Beverley Tarka , President of Association of Directors of Social Services, Director and Adults, Health and Communities, Haringey Council Dame Ruth May , Chief Nursing Officer, NHS England (invited)
11.05am	Q&A, including all morning speakers.
11.20am	Break
11.30am	Breakout sessions
	Breakout 1: What's new for the NHS and social care? Funding, engagement and support Carers Innovation Fund – DHSC Unpaid Carers team and DHSC Better Care Fund team (invited) Carer engagement and ICS strategies – Paul Carter , NHS England ICS and system level support – HSJ Award winning work – Mark Major , Chief Executive Officer, Northamptonshire carers
	Breakout 2: Improving carers' finances: a cross-nation perspective Improving carers' incomes: next steps for UK policy and engagement – Laura Bennett , Head of Policy and Public Affairs, Carers UK Improving carers' incomes: A devolution perspective - Fiona Collie , Head of Policy and Public Affairs, Carers Scotland The Northern Ireland Carer Poverty Commission, and poverty indicators - Craig Harrison , Public Affairs and Media Manager, Carers NI
	Breakout 3: Making the most of the Carer's Leave Act 2023 Key areas and next steps for implementation - Katherine Wilson , Head of Employment and Specialist Delivery, Carers UK Carer's Leave Act: preparation for implementation - Gillian Cowell , Carers Project Management Officer, South West Yorkshire Partnership NHS Trust

	Preparing for the Act: raising visibility, defining support and the catalyst for unpaid carers - Angela Gibson , Senior Manager, Colleague Experience and Employment Policy, TSB
	Lunch break
1.15pm	Real time poll
1.30pm	Carers in conversation
2.00pm	Breakout sessions
	Breakout 4: Supporting carer inclusion Young Carers' Inclusion – the impact so far and potential of the School Census - Andy McGowan , Policy and Practice Manager (Young and Young Adult Carers), Carers Trust Supporting digitally excluded unpaid carers - TBC Caring and equality – TBC
	Breakout 5: Using data and tech to make a difference to carers Carer identification in the Urgent Care Plan – plans and possibilities: Debbie Hustings , Carers Lead and Leadership Support Manager, Commitment to Carers Programme, NHS England (London) Maximising carers' health strategy: Tim Anfilogoff , Head of Community Resilience, Herts and West Essex Integrated Care Board Prevention, Anticipatory Care and Carers – the outcome of CLEAR – Warrington East Primary Care Network (invited)
	Breakout 6: Delivering carers rights; effective partnership working for carers Local authority assurance by the Care Quality Commission – the next steps – Liz Greer , Local Government Association Effective partnership working for carers around hospital discharge: Bury Carers Hub ICB and carers partnership working - the Carer Passport in Norfolk and Waveney: Carers Voice Norfolk and Waveney
3.00pm	Panel discussion – Horizon scanning for carers, the next 12 months and beyond... Simon Bottery , Senior Fellow Social Care, Kings Fund Dr Neil Churchill OBE , Director of People and Communities, NHS England James Bullion , Interim Chief Inspector of Adult Social Care, Care Quality Commission (invited)
3.40pm	Our movement – making a difference Baroness Pitkeathley OBE , Carers UK Vice-President (invited)
3.50pm	Round-up of the day

	David Brindle , journalist and care sector commentator, former Society Guardian Editor.
4.00pm	Conference closes