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Dear Colleague

Re: Transition from paediatric to adult health services study

We are writing to let you know that the National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death (NCEPOD) are starting a review of the care delivered when young people transition from child to adult health services.

NCEPOD is an organisation which uses peer review to perform qualitative research into a broad range of health outcomes (<https://www.ncepod.org.uk>). NCEPOD has been commissioned by the Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP) to undertake the Child Health Clinical Outcome Review Programme on behalf of NHS England, Department of Health Northern Ireland, Welsh Government, Government of Jersey, States of Guernsey, Isle of Man Government and Independent Sector hospitals and groups.

Transition between children’s and adults’ services is one of three priority areas for the new Child Health Clinical Outcome Review Programme. Data will be collected via focus groups and online surveys to understand the experiences of patients and their carers; and via a qualitative assessment of clinical and organisational care using semi-structured questionnaires and multidisciplinary peer review.

A multidisciplinary study advisory group, including patient and lay representatives has been convened and will meet to decide on the direction of the study in September and November, and will finalise the detailed study protocol in February 2021.

Before the next meeting we are trying to gather the views of stakeholders in previous or ongoing work on transition. It is an area in which there have already been many good quality reports and recommendations but the experience of patients remains variable.

If you have any strong views on this topic, or any experiences you would like to share, please contact us at transition@ncepod.org.uk before the 13th of November when the aims and objectives of the study protocol need to be finalised.

We would like to keep you informed on progress of the study, however if you would prefer not to be contacted, please let us know. We would also be grateful if you would help raise awareness of the studies existence with your colleagues.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

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