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## Supporting Carers Better Network

Dear Colleagues

### **Welcome to issue 22 of the Attend SCB Network Newsletter.**

The SCB newsletter aims to highlight information, news & key updates for carers. Over the coming months we will be looking at ways in which we can develop and enhance the information and support we give you. If you have any ideas or would like to help please let me know.

I very much hope you find this newsletter useful. If you have any comments about the newsletter, good or bad, please let me know.

The next edition will be distributed on the 4<sup>th</sup> April 2012.

## News

### **Queen's Diamond Jubilee Volunteering Award 2012**

The award is an extension of the Queen's Award for Volunteering and will honour charities and volunteer groups who work at a national level as well as groups working at a local level. For more information about the awards and to nominate a charity or group click on the link below.

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### **Online booking system could be a lifeline for carers**

Volunteers and users will both benefit from voluntary time banks

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### **Don't forget the carers**

Prospective Councillors in Scotland are being reminded why it's important to remember the carers in the run up to the local Government elections

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### **Local authorities are failing BME communities**

A new campaign, 'Living in the Margins', led by The Afiya Trust and supported by Carers UK has released its interim findings

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### **NHS not meeting the needs of some care home residents**

A study highlights that some care home residents are waiting too long for health checks

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## **Focus**

### **Welfare reform – questions answered**

How will you be affected by the planned changes to benefits

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## **Carers stories**

### **Caring for an alcoholic**

David tells his story of how he copes with caring for an alcoholic

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### **Nicky Clark, Disability Campaigner interviews some well-known carers about their experiences**

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## **Features**

### **The Schizophrenia Commission**

Rethink Mental Illness has set up an independent commission into schizophrenia and psychosis. They are gathering the views of everyone interested in mental health or treatment and care for schizophrenia and psychosis experiences. They have an online survey for practitioners, family members, people living with mental illness and others interested in mental health. They would very much value your input. The survey takes approximately 15 minutes to complete. [Click here](#) to complete the survey and please pass on to others who might be interested. For more information on the commission you can visit their website by clicking on the following link [Click here](#)

### **Carers World Radio**

Carers World Radio has been developing and producing audio services for carers for over 10 years. They have a global audience and are always keen to hear carers stories.

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## **Young Carers**

### **Caring for a family member with cancer**

Advice, help and information for young carers caring for someone with cancer

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## **Publications**

### **Charity Commission News – Winter Edition**

The latest Charity Commission News contains important information for any trustees considering occupying empty commercial properties.

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### **Care in Crisis 2012 report – AgeUK**

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## Events

### **Carers Week**

18<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> June 2012. Use the link below to register.

[Click here](#)

### **Events for Carers in Camden – London**

Please see the attached bulletin for events and training taking place in Camden during March

### **Carers' Haven in Seaton**

A bungalow situated along the beautiful Jurassic coast is available for carers to use. If you are a carer and would be interested in using the bungalow for up to a weeks retreat please click on the attached information and photo above for further details.

We respect your privacy therefore if you do not wish to receive these regular updates please send an email to [info@attend.org.uk](mailto:info@attend.org.uk)

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