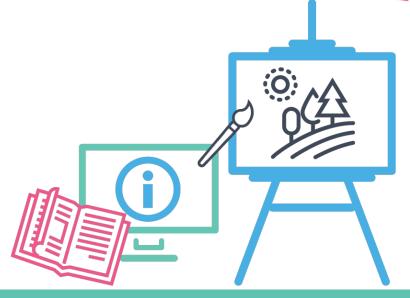


NASP webinar: Physical activity "the miracle cure" in action

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## Housekeeping

- Please note we are **recording** this webinar (you will be sent the slides and the link to the recording, and they will be on NASP's website too.)
- Presentations, then a **Q&A session** at the end.
- Please submit questions via the Q&A feature.
- Please use the chat for introducing yourself and networking.
- Please stay on mute and camera off.



## Accessibility

- Closed Captions are available turn these on at the bottom of your screen
- **BSL interpretation** is available the interpreters will be spotlit
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## Overview of session

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- Q&A 30 mins



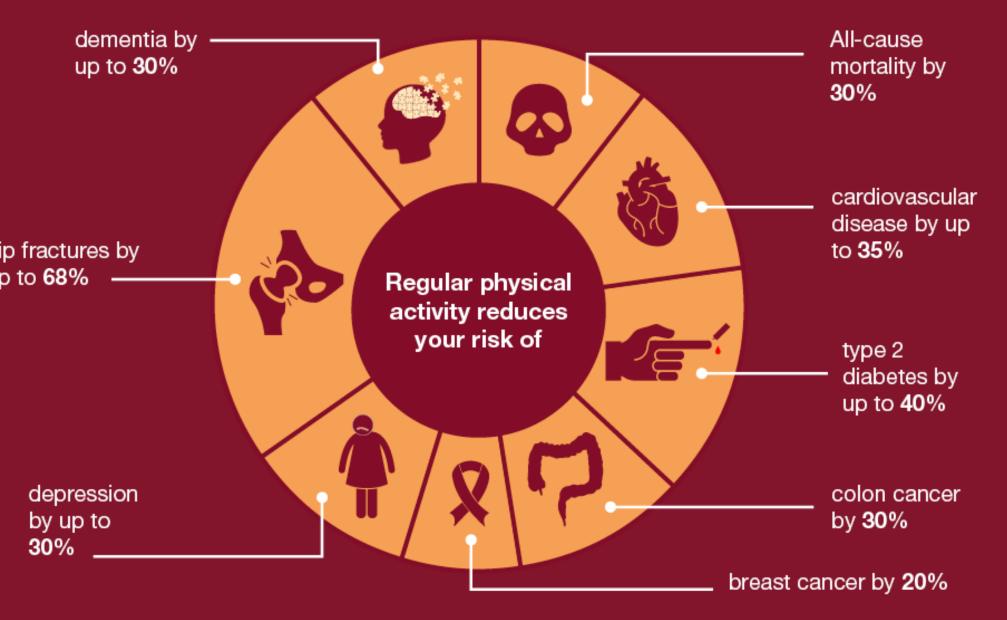
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## Miracle Gure

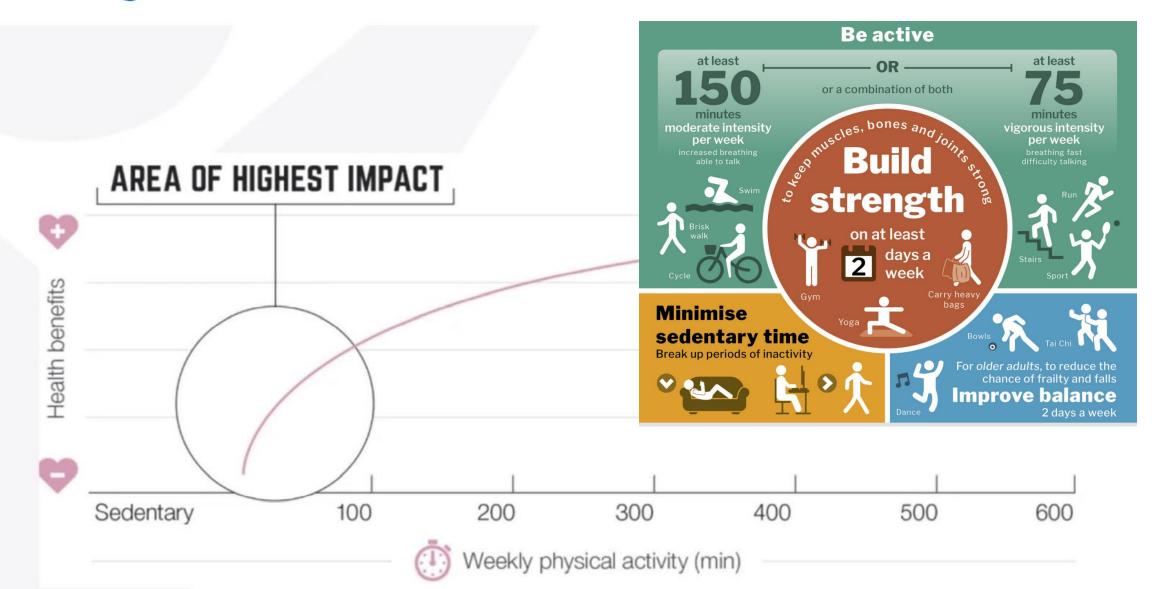


### What are the health benefits of physical activity?





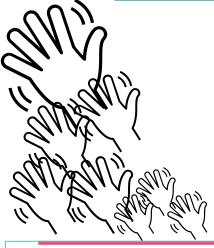
## **Every Movement Counts**





Mind The Gap!

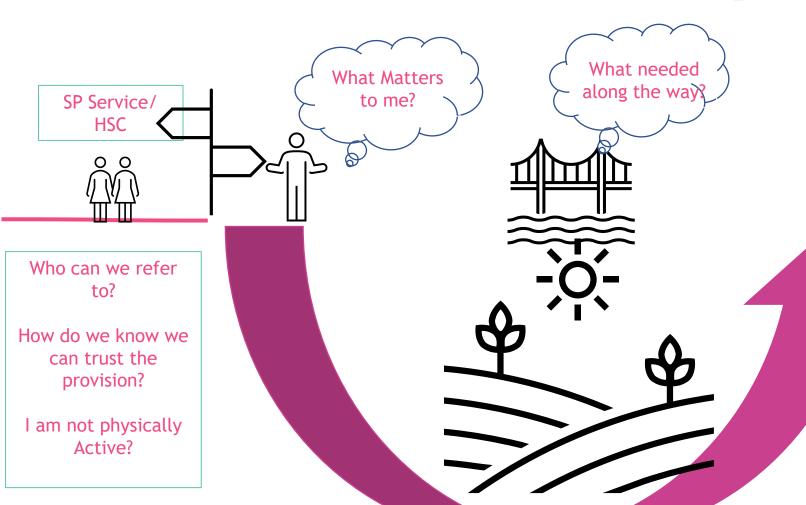
**Providers** 



How can we offer social prescriptions?

Who do we need to collaborate with?

How do we ensure we are supportive and understanding of needs?





Calling:
Health
Practitioners,Link
Workers, Healthy
Lifestyle Coaches,
Care Co-ordinators

PLEASE COMPLETE OUR SURVEY





## Andrew Power Water Wellbeing Specialist, Swim England

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# Swimming as Medicine and Swim Together pilot NASP webinar

31st July 2023



## Water Wellbeing

#### Supporting pool providers to be:

- Accessible
- Inclusive
- Welcoming

...to people with long term health conditions and impairments to 'swim'









Review site opportunities and action plan

Environmental audit and site improvement plan developed

Inclusive customer experience training (online/face to face)

Inclusive marketing materials

Basic data collection

#### Stage 2: 'Personalised aquatic offers'

Aquatic Exercise Referral (referral/self-referral)

AAFH Training

Delivery and self-guided activity in place Learn to Swim (AL2S/Learn to Swim for targeted health needs)

Learn to Swim checklist

Online/face to training on AL2S/health conditions Good Boost

Good Boost training and support

Equipment and software license in place

Stage 3: 'Demonstrating Impact'

Recruitment targets met

Evidence of change and impact through data collection

Case study development



#### Accreditation in numbers

- 148 sites accredited sites
- 52 currently working towards accreditation additional sites 2023/4
- 20,000+ hours of personalised support in pools across the Country
- View accredited sites on PoolFinder swimming.org/poolfinder/













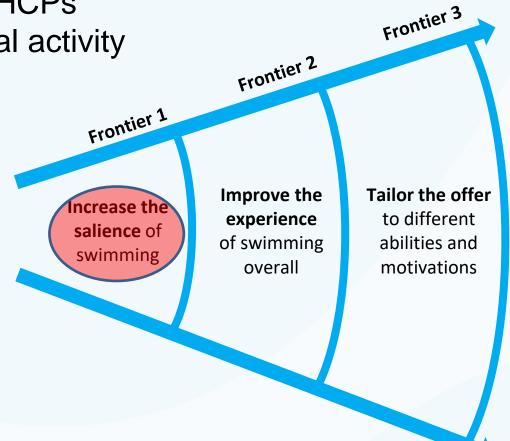
## Leveraging Healthcare Professionals research (2020)

Swimming isn't front of mind for HCPs compared to other forms of physical activity

Identify the best ways to connect and reach HCPs

What messaging, format and tone?

Which channels and influencers?





## Campaign Purpose: Supporting targeted and local reach

In order to have impact, messages on swimming must reach HCPs in the context of existing conversations about physical activity.

Influence and support:
Discussions with the
patient



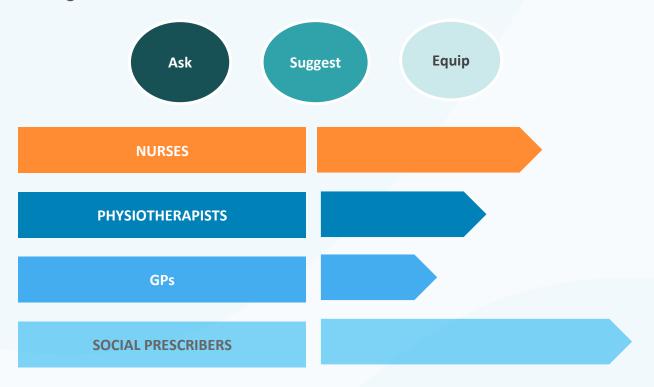
Influence and support:
Professional
discussions



In campaigns pushing the National discussion



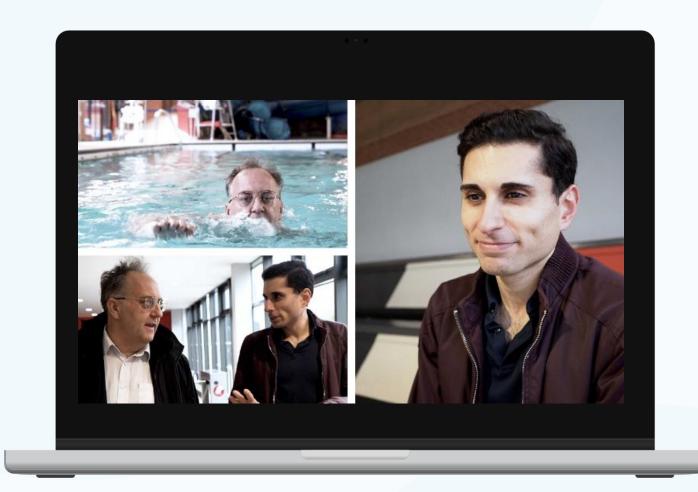
All HCPs have the potential to **Ask** about swimming, some may get the chance to **Suggest** approaches, others have more time and touch points to be able to **Equip** individuals to take action – different messages, resources and vehicles needed to influence this





## Swimming as Medicine Film #1

- Hussain Alzubaidi, GP & RCGP Lifestyle Clinical Champion (Leamington Spa)
- Darren, patient recovering after Covid-19, intensive care and induced coma + resulting health issues
- Launched 9<sup>th</sup> March Social Prescribing Day





## Swimming as Medicine Film #2

- Joanne Pritchard, Neuro Specialist Physiotherapist in Retford
- Retford MS Society support group session (Barnsley Premier Leisure pool)
- Launched 14<sup>th</sup> June with support from the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy





#### Promotional toolkit

- Available to healthcare organisations and Water Wellbeing accredited pool operators only.
   Expressions of interest to use resources to: andrew.power@swimming.org
- Toolkit includes:
  - Links to download the films 1x full length film, 2x social edits
  - Template copy web, social, email
- More news:
   <u>https://www.swimming.org/swimengland/tag/health-and-wellbeing/</u>





Everyone Active achieves Water Wellbeing accreditation across portfolio of pools



Swim Together pilot aims to reduce barriers to swimming participation



#### PoolFinder

- New filters added:
  - Water Wellbeing accredited
  - Hydrotherapy Pools
  - Aquatic Physiotherapy sessions
  - Good Boost sessions
  - Dementia Friendly sessions
  - Pool Lift systems (Hoists/Pool Entry Lifts)













## Swim together

Breaking down the barriers to the water









## mental health swims



"At the heart of it, it is about helping people establish a sense of community, a sense of belonging, which brings with it a sense of identity and strong sense of self, and it's an organisation that strives for people to feel that, because the repercussions of that are massive."

(Liz, swim host)

- Mental Health Swims Who we are and why we are needed
- Led by lived experience The power of peer support
- Cost effective sustainability for the future

## Swim Together Pilot









- Trained swim hosts act as friendly guides to the leisure centre pool volunteers, NHS teams, university groups
- Mental Health Swims Training, Support and Insurance
- Swim England Water Wellbeing accredited pools
- Reduce anxiety
- Non structured sessions with activity suggestion cards e.g today I am going to float
- Learnings from pilot



Challenge
mental illness
stigma and lead
with lived
experience

Create
welcoming and
inclusive
spaces through
training

Empower
people living
with mental
health
challenges





## The intervention

Delivery of accessible group swims

From a leisure centre pool

By primary care network (PCN) staff

Why leisure centre pools?

## Method









DURATION: 45
MINUTES

15 MINUTES CAFÉ/DISCUSSION

PLAN THE PRE-SWIM SESSION

NEWBOLD LEISURE CENTRE ENVIRONMENTAL AUDIT 88% SCORE







ONLINE BOOKING FORM

**EXPLAINER VIDEO** 

FUNDING FOR THOSE ON MEANS TESTED BENEFITS



On the form they are asked:

Are you on means tested benefits?

No

#### Text sent to patient:

Dear xxx, Thank you for booking on to our swimming as medicine group on XX/XX/XX at XX:XX. To support you swimming the £5.70 ticket cost has been funded by SWIM England.

Please show this to the staff at Newbold Leisure Centre. To watch a video explaining the logistics click here. If you would like to cancel please reply to this message 24 hours before. Failure to cancel in this time may result in not being

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Patient shows this to Newbold Leisure Centre. Staff manage payment/free entry (max 12)







## Swim England health@swimming.org



## **THANKYOU!**



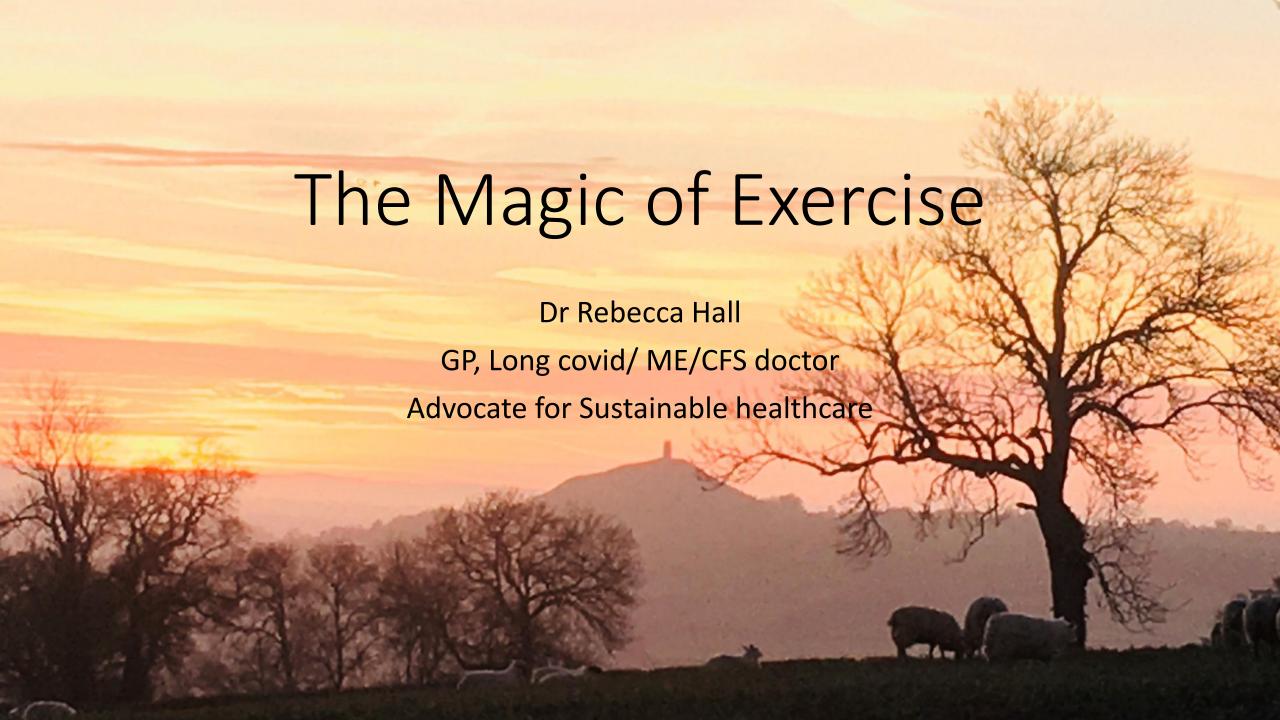
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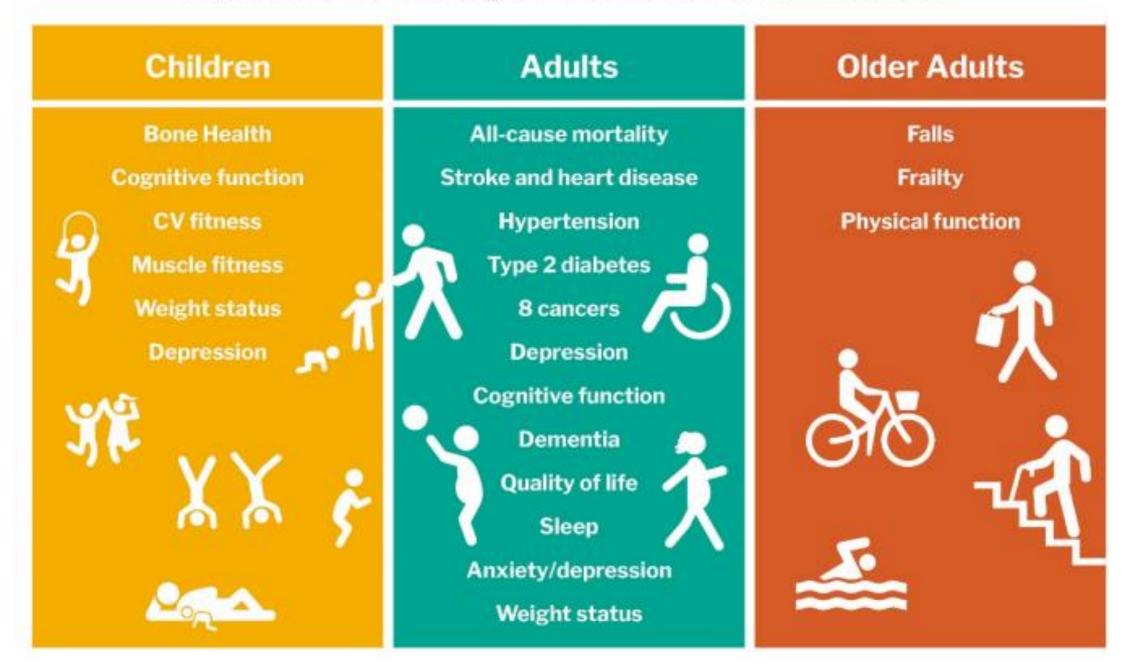
## Rebecca Hall

**GP Glastonbury Surgery** 

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#### Moderate or strong evidence for health benefit



CMO adult recommendation for Physical activity

https://www.youtube .com/watch?v=3F5Sly 9JQao&t=6s















#### LOCAL DIRECTORY

Do you live in Mendip, Somerset? Do you want to find activites, groups or services in the community that could help improve your health and wellbeing? Have a look through our **directory** on this page.

We also have a resources section you may find useful with downloadable pdfs and website links.



#### DIRECTORY

You can browse our directory by selecting a category from the dropdown box below.

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Search by area
Frome
☐ Glastonbury
☐ Shepton Mallet
□ Street
□ Wells
Apply
Abuse

Advocacy/Mentoring

**Arthritis** 

**Autism** 

Befriending/Isolation

Bereavement

Bladder and bowel conditions

Brain Injury

Cancer

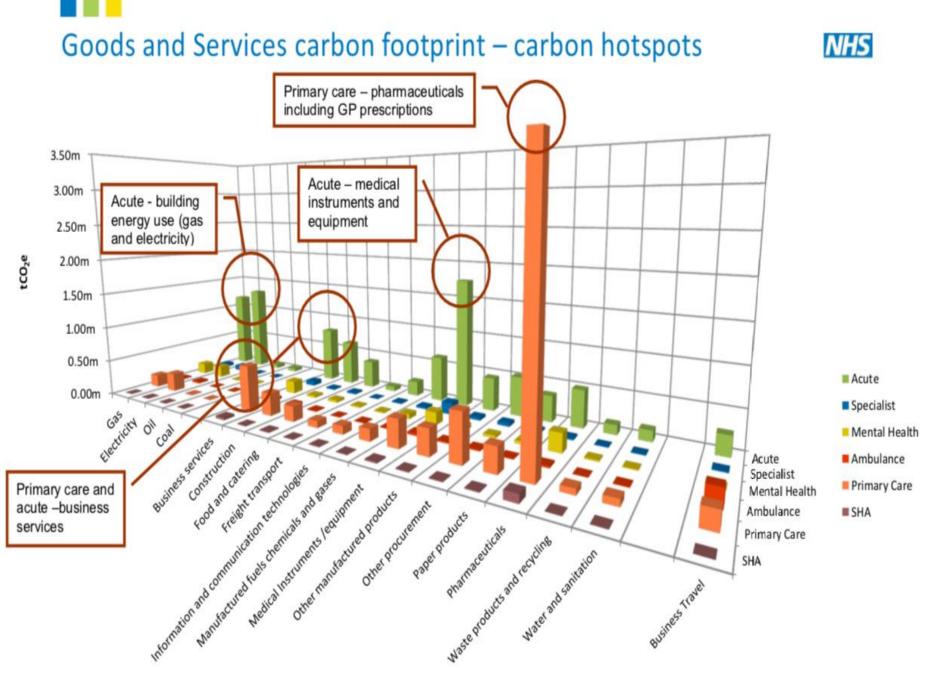
Carers

Community Support

Counselling/Therapy

**Dementia** 

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Sustainable Development Unit,2012

#### Couch to 5K-Frome Medical Practice



- Weekly Monday morning 10am from the health centre
- 10 weeks.
- Pre course measurements
  - Pulse ,BP, Weight, WEBWMS well being score,
- Feedback following course via survey monkey

### Jac 68 yrs- Couch to 5K success



- Weight loss 17kgs
- Can reach feet and able to twist spine
- BP normal- medication stopped
- Resting pulse 88->60
- HBA1C 41->38
- Happier and positive about health even the dodgy bits
- Less pain- stopped regular analgesia- tramadol/gabapentin
- Better sleep

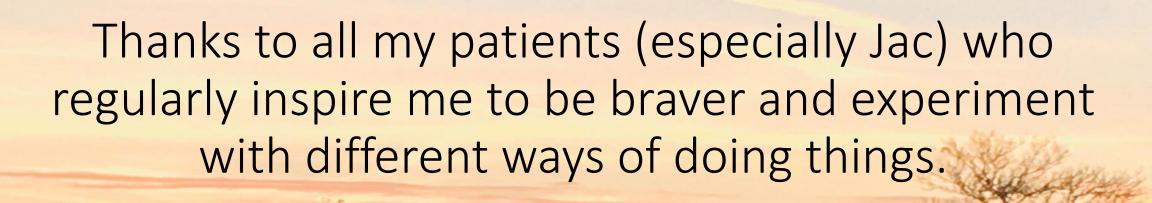


# **Inspiring others**

- Inspiring family
  - Boyfriend changed attitude to health
  - Sons have joined a gym
- Inspiring wider health community
  - Green Impact conference 2019
  - National geriatric conference via green practice group
  - GP registrars via talks on green impact

### Make every contact count

- Connecting with others
  - Consider your own story, the power of role modelling
  - Form close links with clinicians so they can make specific suggestions in consultations
- Personalised programme
  - What matters to you?
  - What resources do we have? people/institutions/landscape
    - 3 keen health workers, field behind health centre
    - Parkrun/Junior parkrun
    - Using out door gym in park <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G6h60wsNijo&t=37s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G6h60wsNijo&t=37s</a>
    - School gate runners
- Community development alongside the activity -10 weeks of regular exercise together outside ticked many of wellbeing boxes.
  - Connect, get active, take notice, learn and give
  - Regular sessions vs drop in sessions- Regular means commitment (just show up) and social aspect stronger





- https://www.bma.org.uk/media/2570/bma-sustainable-andenvironmentally-friendly-general-practice-report-june-2020-pdf
- 2. https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/u, ploads/attachment\_data/file/832868/uk-chief-medical-officers-physical-activity-guidelines.pdf



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**Jenna Berry** 

**Wellbeing Lead for Exeter City Community Trust** 



# Gary Head Jenna Berry







# **OVERVIEW**

Wellbeing Exeter is a partnership of public, voluntary and community sector organisations working together to **provide the** firm foundations for individuals and communities to promote and improve their own health and wellbeing.



#### Wellbeing Exeter's four key aims are:

Enable health and social care services to refer on people with health and wellbeing needs

Help reduce pressure on health and social care



Better connect people to their communities



Build more resilient communities

# A SHARED APPROACH

The principles of the **Five Ways to Wellbeing**: *Connect, Learn, Active, Notice and Give* inform and underpin how the programme engages and works with individuals and communities to enhance and promote their wellbeing.





### **CONNECTION EXAMPLES:**

A gentleman struggling with his health wants support to quit smoking and is referred to One Small Step who also support him to become more physically active.









A family who have experienced loss of earnings due to the pandemic, are supported by the Foodbank and their connector helps them to access Citizens Advice for help with worth and money.







After coming out as bisexual and struggling with their mental health, a young person is referred to Young Devon's counselling service, as well as Proud2Be's social group which they access every week to meet like-minded people.











# REFERRAL ROUTES

See our Website – Community Connecting page:

#### **READY TO CONNECT?**

You can get a referral to us in a number of ways. Contact any of these organisations and ask for an introduction to a Community Connector through Wellbeing Exeter. They will fill out our referral form and send it over to us. One of our Connectors will be in touch with you as soon as possible to discuss how they can help.

#### **Adult**

- Your GP
- Care Direct Plus (DCC)
- Community Rehab Team
- Inclusive Exeter
- Exercise & Rehab Team (MSK)
- Exeter City Council Wellbeing
- Exeter College
- Exeter Community Neuro Team
- One Mental Health Team
- Transitions (ECI)
- Ukrainian Guests

#### **Family**

- Action For Children
- Devon Family Resource (DFR)
- Early Help (DCC)
- Family Intervention Team (FIT)
- True North

#### Young People (aged 11+)

- Schools
- Exeter College
- Space
- Young Devon
- YMCA (aged 18-30)

NOTE: Adults from **culturally diverse communities** can be referred directly by you or by themselves.

### **OUR PARTNERS**





**Lead Partner** 

**Coordination Team** 

**Community Builders** 

**CPAOs** 

Community Connectors

### **COMMUNITY PA OFFICERS**



#### **Community Physical Activity Organisers**



 Informal learning conversations relating to the individuals' physical activity interests and priorities, exploring with them how they could be more active in ways that work for them.

Support to find solutions to barriers to being physically active where appropriate.





Information and resources relating to physical activity (local, national, online etc).

Introductions and accompaniment to physical activity opportunities and support to stay active.







Linking up with other individuals with similar interests etc. with the agreement of both.

Support to develop their ideas for physical activity.





Information about the community they live in and opportunities available for residents to be more physically active in ways that work for them.

Connecting individuals to other groups / organisations / services where this is the best fit for their circumstances.





Group work: creating a safe space for individuals to come together to form a physical activity group, include wider groupwork to encourage social connections.



# Any Questions?

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### National Academy for Social Prescribing

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