The Social Partnership Forum brings together NHS Employers, NHS trade unions, NHS England, Health Education England and the Department of Health to debate the development and implementation of the workforce implications of policy

SPF Wider Group
Read the key comms from the SPF Wider Group meeting held 21 October, find out what the group discussed here.

SPF meeting with CQC – 26 September
SPF members met Mike Richards and Andrea Sutcliffe from CQC on 26 September and the following matters were discussed: Well led domain – issues of staff engagement and number of BME representatives, level playing field and how monitoring all staff groups could be achieved and notifications for regions and trade unions on up and coming inspections. The next meeting is scheduled for 24 April 2015.

Regional update - South of England – regional SPFs
The South West SPF has identified four key work programme areas, each co-chaired by an employer and staff-side lead, the four work areas are: the Learning for Life Campaign, health and wellbeing, staff engagement and 7 Day services.

The South Central & South East Coast SPF has recently agreed its work programme areas, each co-chaired by an employer and staff-side lead, which include: 7 day services, a focus on strategic recruitment and retention, staff for the future, and running a partnership conference on health and wellbeing.

The regional forums, so far, have given partners the opportunity to provide feedback to NHS England in the design phase of the Staff Friends and Family Test and enabled them to contribute to HEE review of bands 1-4 strategy. Across the south, along with other parts of England, partners have also agreed a Memoranda of Understanding that sets out the principles NHS employers sign up to for the redeployment of staff at risk of redundancy.

More information on the South of England SPF can be found here.
‘Five rules for data sharing’
Contribute your view to a consultation on a Department of Health and Information Governance Alliance guidance leaflet for health and care professionals to help them make the right decisions about data sharing. [Find out more here.](#)

Personalised health and care 2020:a framework for action
The National Information Board has published a ‘Framework for Action’ that sets out a vision for how technology should work harder and better for patients and citizens by 2020. Go to the. [Find out more here.](#)

Tackling stress at work
The Health, Safety and Wellbeing Partnership Group of the NHS Staff Council has produced a guide on preventing and managing stress at work. Read the guide [here.](#)

Open consultation: NHS Pension scheme draft regulations 2015
The Department of Health is consulting on draft regulations to introduce the new 2015 NHS Pension Scheme for England and Wales. The consultation closes on 5 December at 11.45pm. More information on the consultation can be found [here.](#)

We are keen to include examples of good partnership working from regional and local SPFs on our website. If you have examples of good practice or case studies that you think would be useful to share with SPF colleagues, please send details in an email marked ‘good practice’ to: [webenquiries@socialpartnershipforum.org](mailto:webenquiries@socialpartnershipforum.org)
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