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Welcome to our weekly roundup of all things Voluntary Community Faith Sector in Central Lancashire!

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Firstly, apologies! Last week we included a reference to the Abel Charitable Trust, overlooking the fact that applicants had to be within a 60 mile radius of London. As Central Lancashire remains stubbornly outside of that radius the inclusion was an oversight on our part for which we apologise.

And now, the news ...

Guild 2012

Funding Opportunities

Sport England Launch £5 Million Get Health, Get Into Sport Fund - deadline for expressions of interest 26 October 2012

A new pilot fund has been launched by Sport England with funding from the National Lottery. Awards of £30,001 and £500,000 are available to fund sports projects that can best contribute to improving health while also growing weekly sports participation. Sport England are focusing this funding on those who are least active and in this way plan to make a significant contribution to reducing health inequalities and producing the greatest potential health benefit in England. Voluntary and community organisations, including sports clubs, across England can apply as long as they have a bona fide legitimate constitution. Sport England expect applications to come from collaborations between deliverers and academic organisations. Funding is available for revenue projects that lead to increases in activity from those currently inactive, or provide support for those delivering projects that target this group to develop their expertise. Projects must target people aged 14 and above.

http://www.sportengland.org/funding/get_healthy, get_into_sport.aspx

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Budweiser Club Futures - deadline 31 October 2012

The Football Association in association with Budweiser have announced a new scheme which provides non-league clubs with the chance to bid for grants of £50,000 is now open to applications. The grants aim to help clubs to become more financially sustainable by improving their facilities. Projects that could be funded include everything from building conference facilities, improving any part of the clubhouse interior or exterior, and expanding the car park. The scheme, called Budweiser Club Futures, will give clubs from steps five, six and seven of the league pyramid the chance to apply for 16 individual grants of £50,000 over the next two years. Eight grants are up for grabs during the 2012-13 season, with a further eight to be awarded the following season. Of the eight clubs who are granted a £50,000 financial boost, one could then receive a further £100,000.

http://www.thefa.com/TheFACup/More/budweiser-club-futures

Big Society Capital Comes to the North West, Warrington - 9 November 2012

Social Enterprise North West is set to stage another opportunity for social enterprises and finance lenders to get more information on Big Society Capital. Big Society Capital, which is run independently from government, is playing a leading role in speeding up the growth of social investment by utilising an estimated £400million in unclaimed assets that have been left dormant in bank accounts for over 15 years, and £200million from the UK's largest high street banks. It follows a successful event in Liverpool last December where Civil Society Minister, Nick Hurd MP, was joined by leading officials from Big Society Capital. Now the spotlight falls on Warrington on November 9th. To book your place (tickets cost £24 plus a £1.25 fee) visit:

http://www.eventbrite.com/event/4304749622

The Edge Fund - deadline 1 December 2012

The Edge Fund, which was initiated by a small group of philanthropists and activists in early 2012 is now open for applications. The aim of the fund is to support communities, campaign groups and activists struggling for social, economic and environmental justice. Groups facing discrimination and injustice because of their class, ability, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, or other factors can apply for grants of up to £5,000 to challenge injustices and create just and healthy communities. http://edgefund.org.uk/

Funding for IT Projects Supporting Disadvantaged Groups - deadline (Stage 1) 12 December 2012

Funding is available to organisations with innovative IT related project ideas that can make a positive difference to disadvantaged and vulnerable groups. The funding, which is available through the Nominet Trust, aims to fund innovative Internet projects that make a positive difference to the lives of disadvantaged and vulnerable people. The Trust is particularly interested in funding projects that can be scaled up and replicated. There is no minimum grant application and applications for over £100,000 require an interview. Organisations wishing to apply, need initially to complete and online application

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form. Those organisations deemed successful will be invited to complete the Stage 2 application form.

http://www.nominettrust.org.uk/

Help The Homeless - deadline 31 December 2012

Help the Homeless, a national Charity which aims to help homeless people throughout the United Kingdom to resume a normal life, is currently accepting applications from small and medium sized charities and voluntary organisations. Grants of up to £3,000 are available towards capital costs to support projects that assist disadvantaged individuals in their return to mainstream society, through residential or training facilities. Grants to larger charities may be considered if the project is suitable innovative and only possible for a larger organisation to develop it.

http://www.help-the-homeless.org.uk/applying-for-funding/

Grants for Disability Sport and Play - deadline 1 January 2013

The Lord's Taverners has announced that its Disability Sport and Play programme is expected to re-open for applications on the 1st January 2013. The Lord's Taverners is one of the UK's leading Youth Sports and Disability Charities and Official Charity of Recreational Cricket. Through the Disability Sports and Play programme funding will be available to schools, clubs and other organisations who cater for youngsters under the age of 25 years with a physical and or learning disability. Grants will be awarded for sensory, soft play and outdoor play equipment. Grants do not generally exceed £5,000. http://www.lordstaverners.org/charity/support-and-funding/special-needs.htm

Funding for Breakfast Clubs - deadline 31 January 2013

Kelloggs has announced that schools within the UK that have an existing breakfast club can apply for funding through its 'Help Give a Child a Breakfast' programme. Each grant consists of £450 cash and £50 Kellogg's vouchers. There are no restrictions on how to use the money. It can pay for food, equipment, games, materials and staff time. Priority will go to children who are in the greatest need. This includes Breakfast clubs situated in an area designated as having special economic or social status e.g. Communities First areas in Wales or Community First areas in England; Breakfast clubs in schools that have the highest percentage of Free School Meals; and Breakfast clubs who are ranked in areas highest in terms of need, according to that Country's deprivation ranking index. https://www.giveachildabreakfast.co.uk/apply for funding.aspx

The Fidelio Trust Grants Programme - deadline 1 February 2013

The Fidelio Trust has announced that its next closing date for applications is the 1st February 2013. The Trust offers grants of up to £5,000 in support of the Arts, in particular the dramatic and operatic arts, music, speech and dance. The Trustees aim to help individuals and groups such as Colleges, Arts Festivals and other arts organisations who would not be able to carry out a project or activity without financial support. Funding is available for tuition or coaching; to participate in external competitions; to be supported for a specially arranged performance; and to receive support for a special publication, musical composition or work of art.

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http://www.fideliocharitabletrust.org.uk/index.php

Community Development Finance Association gets £60m to lend to social enterprises

The Community Development Finance Association will receive £60m to lend to social, small and micro-enterprises, the business secretary Vince Cable has announced. The scheme is aimed at creating more than 8,000 jobs in deprived areas of England and boosting local growth over six years. The CDFA, the umbrella body for community development finance institutions, will receive £30m from the government's Regional Growth Fund. The Co-operative Bank and Unity Trust Bank will each contribute £15m. http://www.cdfa.org.uk/

Vacancies and Employment

Work Programme prime contractors 'should give more financial help to charity subcontractors'

More needs to be done to support subcontracting organisations, including charities, involved in the Work Programme, according to the Salvation Army. Speaking at fringe event organised by the charity at the Conservative Party conference in Birmingham, Helen Robinson, the charity's director of employment services, said that prime contractors needed to give more financial support to the smaller subcontracting organisations they worked with. The Salvation Army helps about 8,000 people into work each year, about half of whom go through its Employment Plus service. The Salvation Army used its own resources to bankroll its initial involvement in the Work Programme and did not receive any money from its prime contractors.

Volunteering

Fundraising News

Space Centre: Disabled centre facing axe amid funds probe

For almost 20 years Preston's Space Centre has been providing vital services severely disabled people across Lancashire and beyond. But today, the centre is in dire straits thanks to an £800,000 funding black hole. Detectives have confirmed they are investigating claims of "financial irregularities...in relation to an ex-employee" at the Pedders Lane facility which led bosses to believe grant money was on its way to the centre, when in fact the cash had never even been applied for.

http://www.lep.co.uk/news/business/disabled-centre-facing-axe-amid-funds-probe-1-5008345

St Catherine's Hospice: Axed concert kindness

A hospice forced to cancel an outdoor concert after heavy rainfall has revealed that it still made £15,000 in funds due to the generosity of the public. St Catherine's Hospice, in Lostock Hall, near Preston, axed its hugely popular Symphony At The Tower event at Hoghton Tower which was meant to be held in July because of dangerous ground

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conditions. The cancellation was a huge blow to the hospice as not only is the concert one of its biggest fundraisers, there was no insurance in place to cover the cancellation. http://www.lep.co.uk/community/axed-concert-kindness-1-5012508

Lottery push to make high street traffic free

A multi-million pound bid for European cash to make Preston's high street more shopperfriendly has cleared a major hurdle. A joint bid between the city's council and Lancashire County Council for money through the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) is expected to run to several millions of pounds.

http://www.lep.co.uk/community/lottery-push-to-make-high-street-traffic-free-1-4999638

Macmillan Cancer: Coffee event boosts funds

http://www.navca.org.uk/downloads/generate/3298

Pharmacy staff and patients at two MedicX pharmacies in Lancashire took part in Macmillan Cancer's World's Biggest Coffee Morning. Everyone enjoyed coffee and cakes and MedicX in Coppull, near Chorley raised more than £134 while MedicX Pharmacy in Chorley raised £50.

New Resource - free download

The Local Grants Forum is a partnership of national organisations, formed in 2007. It campaigns to protect grants for local voluntary organisations and community groups. This month they have produced a leaflet, 5 ways to protect grant funding, to help you promote and protect this vital source of funds. This leaflet will also help you influence your local funders and challenge unfair decisions.

Training

Asset Based Projects - Information Event - UCLan, Preston - 24 October 2012, rsvp 19 October 2012

UCLAN and BME Forum are organising an information event to develop Asset Based Projects in partnership with students and the university. This is a great opportunity for members of the Forum to exhibit and promote their services with a view to recruiting student(s) for a placement to work with and support the group over a period of time. Livesey House (room 013), Heatley Street (off Friargate & Corporation St.) http://btckstorage.blob.core.windows.net/site7587/Uploads/10/11/UCLANABCD.doc

Setting up a Food Co-operative, Trafford Hall - 28 - 29 November 2012

Have you ever thought about improving the health of the people in your community? Are you interested in Food Co-operatives? Ever thought about involving all ages towards a shared goal? We can help! For more information contact Gary Dutton by e-mail – g.dutton@traffordhall.com

or by calling 01244 300246.

Lancashire Women's Network, Basic Arabic, Women Only, Preston

Interested in learning Arabic? Want to meet other women from your area? Would you

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like to find out about other services we provide?

If you are interested in a Basic Arabic course or any other courses then call us now to register your interest.

For more information please call:

Office: 01254 392974 or email:

office@lwnmew.org.uk

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Intact, Computer Course Basics

Intact-Preston offers FREE one-to-one tuition on basic computer skills in a friendly and relaxed environment. Join the team at Intact centre, Whitby Avenue, Ingol. Booking is required. Start learning how to access the internet using a computer and learn how to email family and friends. With one to one support from tutors, this free course is on 5 mornings a week from 9.30am till 1.30 p.m. All it takes is one hour a week so telephone Debbie to book your appointment on 01772 760760.

http://www.intact-preston.org.uk/ComputerCourse.html

Events

Preston Youth Conference - 15 October 2012

Over 100 young people will enjoy a day of giving their voice and feelings at the Preston Youth Conference on Monday 15 October. Titled "Voice and Influence", the 2012 conference will take place at Preston College and is being organised through members of the Children's Trust.

http://www.preston.gov.uk/blogs/communities-blog/2012/10/young-people-say/

Rosemere Cancer Foundation: Get potty with nipples - 18 October 2012

Women are being urged to carry out body art with a difference to create a unique piece of pottery. The third annual Painting By Nipples event will be taking place in Preston and this time organisers are not just inviting women to paint with their breasts, but to make their imprint on a one-off piece of pottery which will be presented to the Rosemere Cancer Foundation. The pair have raised £1,400 for Rosemere to date.

http://www.lep.co.uk/community/get-potty-with-nipples-1-5002935

Avenham community garden launch, Preston - 18 October 2012

Following extensive work over the last one year, the Avenham Community Garden in Hudson Street, Preston will be formally opened on 18 October by Preston MP, Mark Hendrick. The creation of the garden, a collaborative project between local organisations including Moving On Lancashire, Lancashire Probation Trust, Contour Housing and the Lancashire Wildlife Trust has been a labour of love, transforming a derelict piece of land into a safe, accessible open space for quiet recreation, skill sharing and gardening for the local community. The development of the garden was originally funded by a successful Big Lottery Fund Awards for All bid submitted by Moving On Lancashire.

http://www.movingonlancashire.co.uk/news.html

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Katy Holmes Trust, Preston - 24 October 2012

The Katy Holmes Trust is holding a Ladies Night at The Pig and Whistle pub in Blackpool Road, Preston on October 24 at 7.30pm. The night, featuring singer Adam Green, will raise money for the trust, which is searching for a paediatric brain tumour cure. Tickets are £3.

CSV Make a Difference Day - 27 October 2012

As we inch ever closer to Make a Difference day 2012, we are getting busier and busier. We've now sent out over 700 action packs, and more are still being sent out daily with new registrations coming in. If you have any questions or queries about your action packs, please email

difference@csv.org.uk

or call us on 0800 284 533.

http://www.csv.org.uk/campaigns/csv-make-difference-day

Halloween antics, Preston - 28 October 2012

Location: Avenham Park Pavilion

Time: 15:00pm to 17:30pm

£2 per child, £1 per adult. Advance booking essential.

Join the park rangers making monster masks and witch's brooms in the Pavilion as darkness falls, listen to spooky stories from our ghostly guests on a scary tour around Avenham and Miller parks. Halloween dress optional.

http://www.preston.gov.uk/events/details/1537/

Third Sector Lancashire, Preston - Citizens and Clinical Commissioning Groups: The Impact of the Health Reforms on the Patient and the Public - 7 November 2012

A Hearing for voluntary, community and faith groups with Dr David Wrigley, Lead for Patient and Public Engagement, Lancashire North CCG and a GP in Carnforth. And a talk on Healthwatch Lancashire.

More:

http://btckstorage.blob.core.windows.net/site7587/Uploads/10/11/CCGFlyer.pdf

Public Notices

South Ribble: Free way to keep warm this winter

Time is running out for residents in South Ribble who want to insulate their homes before the New Year. A scheme run by South Ribble Borough Council, which offers free loft and cavity wall insulation, will finish at the end of December. The scheme is open to all residents of South Ribble (except council and housing association tenants) and people do not need to be on any benefits to apply.

http://www.lep.co.uk/community/free-way-to-keep-warm-this-winter-1-5004719

South Ribble: Mayor opens community garden

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A forgotten corner of Farington has been transformed into a distinctive community garden with features recalling the toughest times of the cotton trade. A 12-foot replica shuttle and seats in the form of old cotton reels are the focal point of the new garden at the junction of Mill Street and Stanifield Lane, which commemorates the 150th anniversary of the Lancashire Cotton Famine. Local people came up with the concept for the garden and Farington Parish Council pushed forward the project, which was funded by the parish council, Lancashire Environmental Fund, Lancashire County Council and South Ribble Borough Council's Central My Neighbourhood Forum. http://www.southribble.gov.uk/Section.asp? sectiontype=listseparate&catid=301272&docid=3268

Chorley: Nominate your sporting heroes

The search is on to find Chorley's sporting heroes - people who have achieved or excelled in sport, and clubs that have gone that extra mile for its members. Chorley Council is once again hosting the popular Chorley Sports Awards, in conjunction with Chorley District Sports Forum, and needs you to nominate people who you think are worthy of the prestigious accolades.

http://www.chorley.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=3962

Lancashire Wildlife Trust: Top award for wildlife reserve

A nature reserve has bagged another accolade to add to the trophy cabinet at prestigious awards ceremony. Brockholes was described as an "iconic high-profile visitor attraction and nature reserve" as it won its latest title. The Lancashire Wildlife Trust nature reserve was given the main Overall Planning Achievement award at the Royal Town Planning Institute's North West awards ceremony at the Radisson Blu Edwardian Hotel, in Manchester.

http://www.lep.co.uk/community/top-award-for-wildlife-reserve-1-5008634

Consumer Credit Counselling Service changes its name

The Consumer Credit Counselling Service will change its name to the Step Change Debt Charity. Frances Walker, head of media and public relations at the charity, said the move was part of a three-year plan to double the number of people it helps with debt problems. The charity currently works with about 400,000 people a year and will launch its rebrand, which includes a new website http://www.stepchange.org, on 5 November.

Surviving, Thriving or Dying

A report from the Community Audit and Evaluation Centre at Manchester Metropolitan University shows an increased demand for the services and resources provided by small community groups at the same time that many of them are struggling to survive. The report, 'Surviving, Thriving or Dying: Resilience and small community groups in the North West of England', is based on responses from 215 North West groups with incomes of less than £50,000 pa.

http://www.nwtwc.org.uk/SurvivingThriving or Dying Summary Report .pdf

Professionalisation of sector might have alienated donors, suggests Tory MP

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The professionalisation of the charity sector and the influence of national charities might have alienated donors, according to Rory Stewart, the Conservative MP for Penrith and The Border. Stewart made the comments vesterday during a fringe meeting hosted by the Charities Aid Foundation at the Conservative Party conference in Birmingham. Stewart told delegates part of the problem was that many people had become disconnected from those charities that had professionalised their operations. "We have put so much energy and joy into the development of a specialised profession of the third sector, and we have tended to assume that we were doing the right thing," he said. "All of this might have created charities that are further and further away from the imaginations and interests of ordinary people. Stewart said his constituents believed that large national charities dominated the sector and had an overbearing effect on the smaller, local charities that many donors were better able to identify with. Speaking from the floor, Caron Bradshaw, chief executive of the Charity Finance Group, said it was wrong to suggest that large charities were to blame. "The vast majority of charities are tiny, tiny organisations working very locally," she said. "This is about charitable giving; it's not about saying that commissioning services through larger organisations is having a detrimental effect on the giving culture."

Small charities lack time and skills to use social media effectively, survey finds

A free guide on how to use social media for charities has been launched today by Unity Trust Bank and Social Misfits Media, a company that helps charities use social media more effectively. "About That First Tweet" includes results from a survey of 186 small and medium-sized charities and social enterprises. Fifty-three per cent of those surveyed say they are not using social media effectively in fundraising and marketing. According to the guide, the single biggest problem for smaller organisations is finding the time to use social media. Other challenges include a lack of understanding and skills, an inability to measure the return on investment and knowing what to say and when to say it. The guide contains information on how to identify the goals charities want to achieve, the audience they want to reach and the platforms they should communicate on. It also contains ideas for creating content and measuring whether they have been successful. Download the guide here:

http://www.unity.co.uk/guide

Appeals

Caritas Care: Adopters

A charity is appealing for more people to consider becoming adopters as the number of children living in care continues to rise. Preston-based charity Caritas Care is organising a series of free information events designed to dispel some of the myths around adoption and provide details of the adoption assessment and preparation process. Couples and individuals from Central Lancashire are being targeted in this latest awareness-raising initiative. Couples and individuals from Central Lancashire are being targeted in this latest awareness-raising initiative. The next Adoption Information Day will be held on Saturday from 10.30am—12.30pm at the Caritas Care offices at 218 Tulketh Road, Ashton-on-Ribble, Preston. Susan Swarbrick, Caritas Care's Services Manager

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for Adoption and Fostering said: "It can be very daunting when you start to think about taking that first step towards adoption, and these Information Days have been designed to help prospective adopters in the process by giving them our full support and letting them understand the practicalities and realities of the process from the start." Visit http://caritascare.org.uk

Blood donors: Preston - 25 October 2012

Blood donor sessions will take place at the Gujarat Hindu Society cultural centre on South Meadow Lane, Preston on Thursday October 25. Session times will be from 2pm to 4pm and from 5pm to 7.30pm. Call 0300 123 23 23.

Umbrella Collective CIC - personal contributions, your stories of overcoming tradgedy and emotional distress

"Dark Side of the Pool" is a series of personal stories of people in our community who have or are coming through crisis and loss, mental health and emotional distress. Please can you circulate. The sharing of stories is both empowering and inspiring from those who have already been through what so many are going through right now. below is also a link to the digital brochure that is easy to read and easy to add into your Facebook pages or share on other social media and websites please support this project as at its heart are the very true stories of those who live among us.

http://issuu.com/umbrellacollective/docs/dsop_project_contribution_requests Consultations

Health

Go Orange for the day and support Myeloma UK - 19 October 2012

Myeloma UK. NHS Central Lancashire is taking part (on Friday 19 October) and in return for a donation of $\pounds 1$ (or more!) everyone can come to work dressed down - with an orange theme! What will you do?

More:

http://btckstorage.blob.core.windows.net/site7587/Uploads/10/11/GoOrangeDay.pdf

Time 4 Me: Preston, Women Only - Your opportunity to tell us what YOU would like to see change in the NHS - 20 October 2012

Time for you to look good, feel good and learn about your health! Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to tell us what YOU would like to see change in the NHS. FREE Refreshments FREE BMI Health Checks FREE Hand Massage Demo by Body Shop Specialist FREE GOODY BAGS filled with lots of treats! FUN health related workshops

10.30am - 2.30pm

Sahara, 48 Fishwick Parade Preston, Lancashire PR1 4XQ

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Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY) - Screening for Young People - 20 - 21 October

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The sudden death of a teenager from an undetected heart condition has led to a surge in demand for screening. Jordan Grant, 17, of Cottam, Preston, suffered a cardiac arrest in February this year as his dad John drove him to his first ever shift at the Waitrose store in Walton-le-Dale. His sudden death left his friends and family devastated and it was later discovered that Jordan had died of an undetected heart condition. The charity Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY) campaigns to raise awareness of conditions that can lead to young sudden cardiac death and promotes heart screening. A mobile screening unit will be coming to Myerscough College, Bilsborrow, near Preston, and running screening sessions for young people aged between 14 and 35 on October 20 and 21. To find out about screening, visit:

http://www.c-r-y.org.uk/ecg.htm

or call 01737 363222

http://www.lep.co.uk/community/jordan-s-death-leads-to-screening-demand-1-5004910

Hospital ward revamp

Royal Preston Hospital has refurbished a ward to meet the needs of dementia patients.

Colours, pictures and music have been introduced on ward 20, an elderly care ward, to help patients with dementia to familiarise themselves with different areas on the ward and feel more at ease in their surroundings.

http://www.lep.co.uk/community/hospital-ward-revamp-1-4996007

Preston: City's rise in whooping cough cases

Health chiefs are urging pregnant women to have the whooping cough jab as figures reveal that the number of cases in Preston have rocketed. The illness, named after the "whooping" sound people make in between coughs when they try to catch their breath, has made a comeback and so far this year, there have been 24 cases in Preston compared to less than five the year before.

http://www.lep.co.uk/community/city-s-rise-in-whooping-cough-cases-1-5012416

Hospital wards assessment pilot

The way hospital wards are assessed will be changed and a Lancashire health organisation will be leading the way. The Government led new Patient-Led Assessments of the Care Environment (PLACE) scheme will be piloted by Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust and will eventually replace the previous Patient Environment Action Team (PEAT) inspections. The new programme will allow service users to conduct crucial checks and assessments on elements of their care and the environment in which they are cared for.

http://www.lep.co.uk/community/hospital-wards-assessment-pilot-1-4995921

Hospital admissions for eating disorders up by 16%

Hospital admissions for eating disorders rose by 16% in England from 2011 to 2012, official figures show. Three quarters were related to anorexia nervosa, and children and young people account for most admissions.

http://www.bbc.com/news/health-19908688

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BMA chief suggests raising taxes to help the NHS

Taxes may need to be raised to help the NHS avoid making cuts to front-line services, the new leader of the British Medical Association has suggested. Dr Mark Porter told the BBC the ageing population was driving up costs, leading to rationing in areas such as cataract surgery and knee operations. He said it was time to "re-examine the assumption" the NHS could cope with its current level of funding. http://www.bbc.com/news/health-19827931

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