Response to NHS Chief Executive’s Open Call for Evidence and Ideas

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Dear Sir Ian

Spreading innovation in the NHS

In response to the DH feature on "a call for ideas and evidence on how the adoption and spread of innovation can be accelerated throughout the NHS", key factors in creating momentum for innovation in Devon Partnership NHS Trust are:

- CEO leadership - Top Leaders Program
- Board Engagement
- Executive Leadership - Director of Research and Development
- Clinical Cabinet - fostering clinical engagement
- Clinical Directorate - lead clinicians drive implementation
- Research and Innovation support service - governance, legal and IP
- Innovation audit - to find and flow internal ideas
- Supply of external ideas from HIEC
- Supply of implementation and evaluation capability from CLAHRC
- Supply of expertise and coaching from Business School - to change behaviour
- Training from NHS SW
- Patient Safety Training from NHS Institute
- Engagement and leadership from people using our services – DDRIG
- Engagement and leadership from professionals commissioning our services - GP engagement project
- Critical projects to establish momentum - Brain in Hand, Neighbourhood Health Watch
- International exposure to best practice - Massachusetts services through NHS Institute
- Boston Radiology Group, Institute for Healthcare Improvement.
- Finance director - to monitor impact on financial position
- Medical director - to assure benefit on quality and safety

All these factors contribute challenge, new network and relationships, driving the quality of both ideas and their implementation.

I hope this is helpful.

Yours sincerely

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