# **Community Health Involvement & Empowerment Forum**

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Dear Friends.

### Please read, and forward our latest weekly E-Newsletter to all interested wider community members. Thank you.

If you wish to see the wider community very quickly knows about your events, job offers, health reports and online consultations, please try our electronic medium for a guaranteed response. Our subsidised circulation rates for third sector organisations are as follows: First week full coverage: advertising your job adverts or events on the most popular section of our website: Community News that gets more than 20,000 hits per month + inclusion into the weekly e-newsletters, circulated to more than 12,000 readers nationwide =  $\pounds 60.00$ , subsequent weekly rates =  $\pounds 40$  per week, full month national coverage =  $\pounds 200$ . Please note CHIEF is not a charity but a community enterprise, committed to re-invest its profit back into the BME community.

Kind regards.

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NB: If you do not wish to be on our mailing list, please let us know, we will remove your e-mail address as soon as possible.

#### **News of the Week:**

'Darzi report opens way to a social enterprise model' - Charities and social enterprises have been promised a greater role in providing contracts to the NHS under proposals unveiled yesterday by health minister Lord Darzi. His long-awaited report, High Quality Care for All, gives staff the "right to request" transfer from the NHS to a social enterprise model while keeping their pensions..Further reading

#### Health & Social Care News:

1- 'Deadliest' malaria rising in UK - More cases of the most dangerous type of malaria than ever before are being brought back to the UK from trips abroad, official figures show. A Health Protection Agency study identified 6,753 cases of falciparum malaria diagnosed in the country between 2002 and 2006.. Further reading

2- Alzheimer's Awareness Week (06 - 12 Jul 2008) - The purpose of the Week is to raise public awareness and understanding about dementia, its causes and the impact that it has on people. 700,000 people in the UK have a form of dementia and many others are affected by the consequences. The exact causes of the disease are not yet known, but the biological process has been identified. Alzheimer's disease which is responsible for causing 55% of cases of dementia destroys cells in the brain. The resulting symptoms include memory problems, mood changes and communication problems..Further reading

3- Sporting 'heart screening' call - Screening sportsmen for signs of hidden heart conditions could save lives, a study has concluded. Each year in the UK, hundreds of apparently fit people suffer 'sudden cardiac death'..Further reading

4- 20,000 unsuitable workers stopped from working with the vulnerable by Criminal Records Bureau - The figures for the year 2007 published today bring the total of unsuitable people prevented from working with vulnerable groups to more than 80,000 in the last four years. In addition to high levels of protection for children and vulnerable adults, the CRB has achieved record levels of customer satisfaction with 92 per cent of customers reporting they are pleased with the service they have received. Further reading

5- Mother's junk food 'harms child' - Eating a poor diet when pregnant or breastfeeding may cause long-lasting health damage to the child, animal studies suggest...Further reading

6- Child strokes going 'undiagnosed' - Up to five children a day in the UK are suffering from undiagnosed strokes, new research suggests. Experts from Bristol University are studying what they say is a "striking lack of public and medical awareness" of childhood strokes. Further reading

#### Job Opportunity of the Week:

Job Title: Business Development Co-ordinator Salary: Circa £20,000 with 25 days annual leave Reporting to: Business Development Manager Closing date: 23 July 2008 with interviews end of July

Disabled Living is Manchester's oldest and most established disability charity. They provide services for disabled people and their families, carers and healthcare professionals - working to enable and improve their independent living. For more information and a full job specification and application pack please email: jon.menzies@disabledliving.co.uk or call 0161 214 5952 Mon-Fri (9:00 am- 4:30 pm).

#### Websites of the Week:

1- NHS Choices: NHS Choices puts you in control of your healthcare. Their website has been developed to help you make choices about your health, from lifestyle decisions about things like smoking, drinking and exercise, through to the practical aspects of finding and using NHS services when you need them. It draws together the knowledge and expertise of:

 the National Library for Health.

- NHS Direct,
- the Information Centre for Health and Social Care,
- the Healthcare Commission and many other organisations.

2- The Caroline Walker Trust - The Caroline Walker Trust is dedicated to the improvement of public health through good food. Established in 1988 to continue the work of the distinguished nutritionist, writer and campaigner Caroline Walker, the Trust is a charity which undertakes specific projects, funded by grants and donations. A major part of our work is to produce expert reports which establish nutritional guidelines for vulnerable groups - including children and older people.

Worth attending events:

# 1- Picnic in the Park ON SUNDAY 6th JULY 1-4pm @ Heaton Park

Come and join the Manchester Multi-faith Forums for a picnic (weather permitting) ALL WELCOME - A family event for you and your friends. Enabling conversations between Muslims, Jews and Christians

Meet at the café by the boating lake, bring your own food & share or contact a.sadiq@manchester.ac.uk

2- 'Joining Hands against Forced Marriages' on Thursday 10th July 2008 @ 6.00 pm at Manchester Civil Justice Centre, 1 Bridge Street West, Manchester M60 9DJ

The Henna Foundation's Founder Director, Sister Shahein Taj OBE is organising the UK launch, European Campaign against Forced Marriage. Key note speaker: Professor Tariq Ramadan Professor of Islamic Studies, Faculty of Theology, Oxford University, President-European Muslim Network. CHIEF is fully supporting this worthy campaign and its directors will attend the launch. FOR REASONS OF SECURITY CONFIRMATION OF YOUR ATTENDANCE IS ESSENTIAL!

Further Information: Henna Foundation, 2 St. Martin's Row, Albany Road, Cardiff, Tel: +447785730409 or 07915212555, E-mail: hennafoundation@btinternet.com

3- Promoting and Protecting the Independence of Voluntary Sector Organisations - an event organised by MACC and DIN to be held at the Friends Meeting House on 17 July 4:00 - 6:30 pm. Mathew Smerdon from the Baring Foundation will be the main speaker (click to read his report "Allies not servants") See flyer. To book a place please fill in and return the booking form to angela@macc.org.uk. For more information please contact Megan Ohri, the DIN Partnership Development Worker, on 0161 832 9823 or John Butler at MACC.

## **Picture of the Week:**



Central Manchester MP, Tony Lloyd, addressing to the local community as the guest of honour at a health awareness seminar, held in Manchester...

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