

# healthwatch

## Wiltshire

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July 2021

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### Community Cash Fund winners revealed



We've awarded a small grant to three projects that will help people from seldom heard groups share their ideas of how health, care and community services could be improved in Wiltshire.

Congratulations go to:

- [Mind Reset](#) - who will be hosting workshops for people with bipolar.
- [Music for Wellbeing CIC](#) - who will be working with families living with childhood asthma.
- [Wiltshire Hearing Voices Group](#) - who will be using their funding to hold regular focus groups with their members to gather feedback on services.

Find out more about the projects on our website.

Read more

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## Tell us what you think of services at GWH



We're working with Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust to gather feedback from people who have used the Emergency Department or have been an inpatient on Aldbourne, Meldon, Jupiter or Saturn Ward, at any time from 1 March.

Tell us what worked well and what you think could be improved in these short online surveys:

Emergency Dept: [smartsurvey.co.uk/s/GWH-ED/](https://smartsurvey.co.uk/s/GWH-ED/)  
Inpatients: [smartsurvey.co.uk/s/GWH-Inpatients/](https://smartsurvey.co.uk/s/GWH-Inpatients/)

Surveys close at the end of July.

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## We're hiring! Join our team as Projects Lead



Could you be our new Projects Lead?

Giving people the chance to talk about changes to services they'd like to see is an important part of our role at Healthwatch.

If you love talking to people and can help us reach out across Wiltshire, please get in touch!

Apply now

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## Go online for our latest advice and information



Our website offers a range of [advice and information](#) to help keep you up to date with the latest changes in health and social care.

Our latest articles include advice on [managing your mental health](#) as Covid-19 restrictions ease and [where to get social care support](#) in Wiltshire.

You'll also find information on the new digital database of patient data, which is due to be collected from GP records from 1 September 2021. Find out what this means for you - and how you can opt out if you don't wish your data to be collected - [in our Q&A](#).

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## Views sought on upper age for prescription charges



The Government is asking for people's views on raising the upper age exemption for NHS prescription charges to be in line with the State Pension Age (SPA), which is currently 66 years old.

You can find out more about the consultation [on the Government website](#) and share your views in an [online survey](#), which is open until 2 September.

[Have your say](#)

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## Here to help you find the support you need



Do you need help finding a local service that can help with your health or social care needs?

Our Healthwatch Hub team are on hand to help you find the support you need.

**Call:** 01225 434218 from 10am-4pm Monday-Friday.

**Email:** [info@healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk](mailto:info@healthwatchwiltshire.co.uk)

**Write to:** Healthwatch Wiltshire, Freepost RTZK-ZZZG-CCBX, The Independent Living Centre, St George's Road, Semington, Wiltshire BA14 6JQ.

You can also get in touch [via our website](#).

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