

# Allied Health Professions (AHPs) Listen Update Newsletter

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Edition 3

## Introduction



Welcome to the third edition of the Allied Health Professions (AHPs) Listen project newsletter. As ever, we welcome feedback about the newsletter or wider project. To do this, please connect with: [england.cahpo@nhs.net](mailto:england.cahpo@nhs.net)

## Project Activity. Month Four

- ✓ The **citizen conversation** ran from the 22<sup>nd</sup> February- 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. This month has been about sharing the opportunity widely and proactively tracking demographic data to ensure we are hearing from all communities. The conversation data is now being analysed using several analytical frameworks. The first insight report will be available for sign-off by the Chief Allied Health Professions Officer (CAHPO) for England by the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021. This will inform the topics discussed, for the second on-line conversation with professionals.
- ✓ Final **contribution totals** from workshop one. Please note there are two further on-line conversations. We had **1159 people** join the conversation and **706 people** completed the gateway survey. Participants come from **500 different post code areas**. Together, they have shared **4300 contributions**
- ✓ Continuing raising the profile of this work at various **regional, national meetings**. The project team have held several meetings with individual professional groups, including professional bodies.
- ✓ Project team continue to work with a range of **internal NHS England and Improvement teams**. Our focus this month has been working with the Equality and Health Inequalities team to ensure we are reaching out to all citizens. This now includes seeking to forge links with faith groups.



**\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\***

The professional's on-line conversation (project phase two) goes live on  
Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> May. Details to follow.



## AHPs into Action Tweet Chat

The **@WeAHPs tweet chat** is scheduled for Thursday the 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021. <http://wecomunities.org/tweet-chats/chat-details/5635> The chat is an opportunity to reflect on “AHPs into Action” and the impact it has had on individuals, teams and regions prior to the launch of the Allied Health Professions (AHP) professional’s conversation in May 2021 (phase 2). Several of the CAHPO office team will be supporting this activity. Please save the date in your diaries.

## Social Media Activity



To support development of #AHPsListen and further the project reach, the Chief AHP Officer for England has a **new Instagram account**. This will host materials to support local engagement, provide background information to and updates on the project. The account is: chief\_ahp\_officer\_england

The project team would also like to give a shout out to the **@OnthefrontlineAHPs** and **@weAHPs** teams who continue to support spreading the word for us.

## Older People Sounding Board (Age UK)



The project team were offered a second opportunity to present to this group hosted by NHS England and Improvement in partnership with Age UK. The team hosted a workshop to capture this groups thoughts, comments and ideas on the questions within the first on-line conversation. The sounding board have supported early #AHPsListen consultation activity prior to the project pause in March 2020 and they are a group who continue to offer insight as the strategy develops.

## Marginalised Communities Workshops

The project team held their first marginalised communities workshop this month, supported by the organisation **Working with Everyone (WE)**. WE are a not for profit organisation that consists of a collective of unique individuals who have both lived experience of social harms as well as professional expertise. There is a second workshop scheduled for April 2021. <https://workingwitheveryone.org.uk/>



## April Call to Action



1. To alert Allied Health Professionals (AHPs) across England to engage in the second conversation (registration opens early May 2021). Please do keep promoting this project within your professional circles
2. Spread the word and mark your diaries for the #AHPsIntoAction tweetchat