Celebrating 200 years of history
To mark NHS70, we are publishing our very own book 'Good Health- A Pictorial Celebration of Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals' preorder your copy today! Page 2
Good Health - A Pictorial Celebration of DBTH

We are pleased to announce that we will be publishing a new book on Thursday 5 July detailing the history of the organisation, bursting with photographs of staff and facilities from the past 200 years.

Called ‘Good Health – A Pictorial Celebration of Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals’, the book chronicles the organisation from its humble beginnings in the 19th century right through to the achievement of ‘Teaching Hospital’ status in 2017.

Authored by our Archivist Garry Swann, the former Medical Photographer has used his extensive knowledge and access to the hospitals’ archives to curate over 100 pages filled with images and photographs from yesteryear. Each of the hospitals main sites at Bassetlaw, Doncaster, Mexborough and Retford has their own sections, with a short history detailing their growth and development.

The book will be published on Thursday 5 July to coincide with the NHS’ 70th anniversary and also to mark Doncaster Royal Infirmary’s 150th year. It will retail at £6.99 and will be available purchase online and at each of the Trust’s sites. All proceeds from ‘Good Health’ will be donated to the newly formed Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals Charity.

If you have an interest in the NHS as well as local history, this is a must read! Good Health – A Pictorial Celebration of Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals will be available from Thursday 5 July. Copies will be available to purchase on-site from next week and from Friday 6 July if you pop into the Communications Office at DRI.

Preorder your copy: [www.dbth.nhs.uk/GoodHealth](http://www.dbth.nhs.uk/GoodHealth)
Celebrating 70 caring years!

The Board of Directors celebrating #NHS70.

“My mum started work in 1962 at DRI. 22 years later I started training and eventually became a Ward Sister. The NHS has been my family and friend ever since!”

Shirley Heaton, Staff Nurse

“I’m proud of the NHS which cares for our community and provides equality for all and I’m very proud to work for it. We are one of the few countries which care for all.”

Marie Hardacre, Matron

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Congratulations Deborah!

The Patient Experience team (PET) would like to wish good luck to their colleague Deborah Cummins, as she moves on to join the Bereavement team.

Having recently qualified as a Foot Health Care Practitioner, achieving a distinction in the process, she is sure to excel in her new role as a Bereavement Officer. To acknowledge this recent achievement, and to say 'thank you' for all of her contributions, Deborah’s colleagues in PET put together this small farewell send-off.

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IMPORTANT: Zebra Printer Power Supply Recall

As you may be aware, we have recently received an urgent recall notice in relation to some of the power supply units provided for the label printers and wristband printers.

These power supplies are at risk of spontaneously combusting.

The IT Operations Department have worked tirelessly over the last few days trying to seize these faulty items and replace them with new units. However there are around 100 which are currently unaccounted for around the Trust.

Important:

If you have one of the printers displayed in the photos, and it has a YELLOW sticker on it, then it is safe to use.

However, if your printer has a RED sticker or NO sticker at all, please contact the IT Service Desk immediately by emailing dbth.it.servicedesk@nhs.net, with the location and asset number (BLUE Sticker) of the device.

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Well Done Rosanna!

Congratulations to Rosanna Fong, Research Sister, who has just completed an Evidence-Based Practice course at Sheffield Teaching Hospital.

The rewarding course explained how to search for pre-existing literature, how to appraise it, and finally how to use it in order to support clinical practice. To complete the demanding unit, Rosanna was required, among other things, to produce a detailed poster, along with a 2,500 word written assignment. This was all in service of nurturing her research skills, thereby ensuring that she can give her patients the most up-to-date and reliable information.

This was a fantastic development opportunity and we could not be prouder of her achievement.

Introducing the 'One-stop Prostate Clinic'

After much collaborative work, funding has been approved to pilot an exciting One-stop Prostate Clinic at the Trust.

This innovative new service will accelerate diagnosis for suspected cases of prostate cancer, meaning that patients will spend less time waiting upon their results and will get earlier access to treatment, should the condition be identified.

The difference is expected to be dramatic, as the current route is heavily fragmented, with the patient being referred to the hospital by their GP, only to wait several weeks before getting an MRI scan. After this, they may need to wait even longer in order to receive a biopsy. Once the new one-stop service is introduced, all of this work will be brought under one simple clinic, considerably reducing waiting times.

Mr Vivek Kumar, Urology Medical Team Consultant, expanded upon this, noting that: "Not only will the clinic be more convenient for the Trust, but it will be beneficial for the patient as well. After all, the service will prevent patients from having to repeatedly come back to the hospital and will also speed up treatment, so that they are no longer left in the dark."

The project has been spearheaded by Dr Joe Joseph, Haematology Consultant and Clinical Director for the South Yorkshire, Bassetlaw and North Derbyshire Cancer Alliance, with support from the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and other cancer networks in the alliance. As well as this, our own Mr Kumar and Mr Ramanan Rajasundaram, Urology Medical Team Consultant, were also involved in the discussions.

Together, they recognised that introducing a One-stop Clinic could help the Trust meet its 62 day cancer treatment target. On that note, Dr Joseph said: "The lengthy period required to diagnose prostate cancer is responsible for most target breaches. This is the same in any trust, not just DBTH, with some patients waiting as long as 80 days to receive their treatment. It has always been clear that this problem needed to be tackled head-on, shortening the delay. We are confident that the new facility will do just that."

The pilot for the One Stop Prostate clinic is anticipated to go live sometime in September 2018. The funding will cover numerous requirements, including new facilities and a use of a mobile MRI scanner. Meanwhile, learning from the pilot will be shared with cancer networks in the Alliance as it progresses.

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Retirement message from Julie Taylor

Thank you for making my 30 years at this Trust so special. I have been very lucky to have worked with many inspirational, hard-working, loyal people and have gained many friends along the way. We have supported each other through the good times and also the challenging times, not only work-related but also personally, and this is what makes great teams.

Thank you also for my wonderful send off, gifts, cards, flowers (and alcohol – you know me so well!), and emails filled with best wishes. I will treasure them forever. I will be continuing in my role as ‘Butterfly Julie’ (Butterfly Volunteer) and may see you when I am on site. I wish you and our Trust continued success in the future and will hold you in my heart always.

Safeguarding newsletter

The latest edition of the Safeguarding Newsletter is available to read here. Access the June edition through the link or the alert bar for important updates on training, referral processes and alerts.

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Digital DBTH: Summer Roadshow

On Thursday 21 June, the IT Programmes and Development team hosted a roadshow outside the DRI dining room.

They provided updates on the department’s goals for the future and used their forum to raise awareness of all the work that is currently underway. For attendees, this was a fantastic opportunity to hear more about what IT is up to, with information on everything from the Clinical Portal to the IDCR project.

The session was a resounding success with clinicians signing up to the portal and stopping by to ask questions.

If you missed out on the Summer Roadshow but are interested in hearing more about the exciting Digital DBTH developments that are in the pipeline, don’t worry. There are still two more sessions scheduled for the coming month.

The dates and times for these can be found below:
- Monday 9 July, 11.30am to 1.30pm – Bassetlaw Dining Room
- Tuesday 17th July 11.30am to 1.30pm – DRI Dining Room.
Is your medical equipment in date?

The Medical Technical Services team carry out regular checks to all areas that are using clinical equipment.

During these checks, it is not uncommon for the team to discover that some apparatus may not be correctly located, or even in use. Therefore, it is extremely important to check the dates of the service labels prior to use. Any equipment out of date should be returned as soon as possible to Medical Technical Services.

For any further information, please call ext. 642135.

ICE Clinical User Group

Following the recent implementation of ICE requesting to Outpatient areas, a new Clinical User Group has been established in the Trust.

This forum will provide users with the opportunity to discuss any issues that they may be experiencing with the ICE system, or with the ordering of Pathology and Radiology investigations. The group should also be used to submit any requests relating to test setup and ICE functionality.

For this group to be as effective as possible, it is essential that there is representation from various specialities across the Trust. With that in mind, if you would like to attend, please contact Katherine Wright (katherine.wright2@nhs.net) or Sharon Burgin (sharon.burgin@nhs.net).

Please note that the next Clinical User Group will take place on Thursday 5 July from 12pm-1pm, in the DRI Boardroom.

Waterbirth Study Day

The Trust recently welcomed a globally-renowned Waterbirth expert, Dianne Garland, to its Maternity unit.

Diane was there to lead an insightful study day, which was well attended by midwives from both maternity sites and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. With an emphasis on everything from promoting normality in childbirth, to understanding risk factors, improving confidence and raising awareness of emergency processes, there was certainly plenty to digest.

Events like these help to increase staff confidence and competence, whilst also empowering women to make informed choices regarding birth. Indeed, attendees have been getting in touch all week with positive feedback, remarking that the session was highly enjoyable and provided good practical tips that can be applied to future practice.

On that note, Maternity would like to say “thank you” to everyone who attended and especially to Dianne for making the day so inspiring!
FGM Awareness Session

As part of South Yorkshire Safeguarding Week (9 July to 16 July), there will be a Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) awareness event held in the Doncaster Frenchgate Trades Centre.

The session will take place on 12 July from 9:30am to 12:30pm and will explore what FGM means, why the practice exists and how to report any concerns.

To book a place or ask any questions, please email Niall.Werrett-Garfitt@doncaster.gov.uk

This event is part of the South Yorkshire Safeguarding Awareness week. To find out about more events and activities that are taking place during the week, please visit: http://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/adult-social-care/

Changes to clinical waste bag ties

Following an extensive Procurement exercise and evaluation period, the Trust has changed the supplier of clinical waste bag ties.

If you have a requirement, you must now order using the product code specifically assigned to your ward/department area through the Oracle ordering system.

The new supplier is SPK Promotions, all printed black ties are supplied in packs of 1,000 at £13.00 + VAT.

If you have trouble locating your specific product code through Oracle, please email joshua.parker@nhs.net for assistance.

Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Workshop

Presented by Hope for Justice, this educational event is aimed at frontline professionals and volunteers who are likely to come into contact with victims of modern slavery.

On completion of this workshop, participants will be able to:

• Explain what human trafficking is in all its different forms
• Recognise the signs and indicators of different types of trafficking
• Respond appropriately to a case of human trafficking.

The details for the session are as follows:

Date: Tuesday 10 July 9:30am to 1:30pm
Venue: Civic CAST, Meeting Space Three

To book a place onto this workshop, please contact Niall.Werrett-Garfitt@doncaster.gov.uk.
What does the NHS means to you

With its 70th birthday on the horizon, get in touch and let us know what the NHS means to you. This historic anniversary is the perfect opportunity to reflect upon all of the extraordinary things that the service provides to the public and your thoughts will be used throughout this week (in social media, buzz, etc) to celebrate the occasion.

If you are interested in doing this, please click on the following link to submit your message: https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/NHZFW9R

Apprentice posts available

Local residents looking to kick-start their career in the NHS were invited to the Doncaster Royal Infirmary last week to find out what apprentice opportunities are available at the Trust.

Currently, we have a number of apprentice posts available on all sites at Doncaster, Bassetlaw and Mexborough. Apprenticeships are available at Intermediate Level 2, Advanced Level 3 and Higher and Degree levels 4, 5 and 6, in the following areas: Business Admin, Medical Laboratory Assistant, Healthcare Scientist, Healthcare Assistant and Pharmacy.

The recent open day attracted over 100 attendees, with presentations by the Recruitment team and Vocational Education Manager taking place on the hour throughout the day, with representatives from various departments on-hand to showcase their services and to answer any questions.

Present at the recruitment event, Holly Ridgeway-Bowyer, Medical Photographer and former apprentice, said: “I began my apprenticeship in 2015 and was offered a job upon completion in 2017. As an apprentice I received lots of support and guidance, allowing me to develop skills which have led to a career in Medical Photography. If you are just finishing school or looking for a change of profession, I would definitely recommend applying for an apprenticeship.”

As a teaching hospital, the Trust is committed to providing top-notch placements, successfully recruiting over 100 apprentices in 2016/17. From Business Administrators to Pharmacy Technicians, there are lots of opportunities across our three hospital sites in Doncaster, Bassetlaw and Mexborough to begin a career in health.

A number of posts are currently being advertised on www.jobs.nhs.uk. Applicants need to head to the website and search for the term ‘Apprentice’, selecting either Doncaster, Bassetlaw or Montagu as the location to view the listings and apply. For more information, contact dbth.recruitment@nhs.net.

Fraud Awareness SET Training

It’s not too late to book onto this week’s Fraud Awareness Training in Bassetlaw.

The session itself will be held in the Blyth Room from 12pm to 1:15pm on Friday 6 July. If you want to come along, just email dbth.training.department@nhs.net or call ext. 642055.
Changes to Conflict Resolution Training

**Going forward, all members of staff must attend a three hour training session on the subject of Conflict Resolution.**

This requirement now applies to everyone, whereas it was previously only for patient-facing staff. However, unlike with the annual fire training, you will only have to take this training once. From then on, you will simply need to complete an eLearning package every three years. Please be aware that the eLearning is not yet available. Further communications will be sent once available.

To check if you are required to attend this three hour training please log into 'MY ESR', click into your 'Compliance Matrix'. If the following competency is showing red, then you need to book and attend. See below upcoming dates for Conflict Resolution three hour training:

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Advance Practice Conference

**An exciting opportunity has arisen to attend a one-day conference for Advanced Clinical Practitioners, Non-Medical Prescribers, Specialist Nurses and Allied Health Professionals working in advanced clinical roles.**

It’s a chance to learn more about the national picture and the future of advanced practice, as well as to gain new knowledge and skills. Moreover, there will be the opportunity to network, whether at the beginning of your career or for those who have been working at an advanced level for many years.

The day will focus on the four pillars of advanced clinical practice (clinical practice, research, education and management lus leadership) and will include sessions from each pillar.

Abstracts for poster and oral presentations are encouraged. This is an opportunity to showcase any Qii work that you are involved in and share new practice. Please use the link for the Trust poster template. Please email abstract entries to joanne.sayles@nhs.net before 30 September, in time for the event on 1 November in the Education Centre.
Telephony issues at Bassetlaw Hospital

There was a small fire in the Server Room at Bassetlaw Hospital on the night of 26 June. Isolated to a single rack of equipment, the incident was promptly dealt with and all appropriate procedures followed.

The following telephone lines have been affected:

- Any Bassetlaw four-digit extension
- Main inbound number to Bassetlaw
- Bassetlaw multi-tone bleeps (work-around in place)
- BL Major Incident Room extension
- Mortuary Garage extension
- Many fax extensions

Due to the damage caused, it is likely that all fax machines and four digit extensions at Bassetlaw will be down for a considerable period of time, with repairs and replacement equipment to be installed in the coming weeks.

As such, Switchboard will deal with incoming calls to Bassetlaw Hospital and departments should fall back on contingency plans for faxes and other communications. Our IT and Estates teams are currently working hard to resolve these issues and we will update on their progress in due course. In the meantime, we thank you for your patience.

Estates and Facilities Director Drop In

Kirsty Edmondson-Jones, Director of Estates and Facilities, will be offering drop in sessions for all members of department staff.

These slots will be open between 12.30pm and 2pm on selected dates and will give staff the opportunity to ask questions, discuss ideas and address any concerns that they may have. Dates and venues for the sessions can be found below. Please note that the drop in session previously scheduled for 5 July has now been cancelled.

Montagu Admin Office
- 28 June
- 10 August

Bassetlaw, Estates Meeting Room
- 27 July
- 21 September

DRI Estates Department
- 13 July
- 7 September

NHS70 Summer Fayre

On Thursday 5 July, the NHS turns 70 years old. In order to celebrate this landmark birthday, we will be partnering with Rotherham Doncaster and South Humber NHS Foundation Trust (RDaSH) and NHS Doncaster Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to host an NHS70 event.

Open to all, from 11am to 4pm on Sunday 8 July, St Catherine’s House at Tickhill Road Hospital will host a family-friendly fayre. With fun activities for people of all ages, an NHS-themed football competition and a special NHS70 marque, the event will feature interactive and informative displays and stalls. Come along!
Doncaster Royal Infirmary’s 150th birthday.
New Ultrasound Scanner for Podiatric Surgery

Podiatric Surgery has been using diagnostic ultrasound and guided interventions for 18 months now, following a successful business case and training provision for Tony Wilkinson, Clinical Lead and Consultant Podiatric Surgeon.

The Trust has seen numerous benefits from this work. Firstly, the purchase of an ultrasound machine has significantly improved the care pathway for patients, providing much quicker access to diagnostics and interventions, both in clinic and the theatre. Meanwhile, the use of ultrasound guided interventions has greatly improved anaesthetic techniques, enabling more complex foot and ankle reconstruction surgeries to be carried out under regional block by the podiatric surgery team.

As the department took note of these advantages, demand subsequently increased for a second ultrasound scanner and thanks to a successful bid, through the Mexborough Montagu Comforts Fund, this requirement has been fulfilled. Indeed, the second scanner is based at Montagu’s Podiatric Surgery Unit, located in Outpatients.

Mr Wilkinson expressed delight with the provision of the unit, noting that the first scanner has already proved to be invaluable and so a second one will only enhance patient care further. The team are extremely grateful to Mexborough Montagu Comforts Fund for providing the capital to purchase the unit.

Bassetlaw @ project

Following a meeting late yesterday afternoon, we are pleased to confirm that Nervecentre will be going live on 3 July at Bassetlaw, as communicated previously.

The system will be operational from 4pm onwards, to link in with the handover processes.

Nervecentre’s hospital @ night clinical task management system will replace non-urgent bleeps for out-of-hours and during weekends. Nurses or Clinicians will use the ward form to raise requests for all non-urgent (amber and green tasks) tasks required for patients in the out-of-hours period. Staff can access Nervecentre via a desktop icon.

All urgent tasks should still be bleeped through to a coordinator, i.e. the Clinical Site Manager or Advanced Clinical Practitioner, using the SBAR tool. The coordinator will then allocate the task to the most appropriate clinician, dependant on their level of skill, competence and workload.

Areas to be covered by nervecentre are ATC, ACU, C1, CCU/C2, B5, B6 and A4. There will be no change to the process in other areas at this time.

There will be no change to the current cardiac arrest and fast bleep process and staff should continue to ring switchboard on ext. 2222 for all emergencies.

Support, guidance and any additional training will be provided on site by the Nervecentre team and clinical project leads (Jo Sayles and Rob Parker) on 4 July. For further details please email joanne.sayles@nhs.net.
How to Prevent Sharps Injuries

Sharps injuries (SI) may result in exposure to any of 60 different pathogens including Human Immunodeficiency Virus, Hepatitis B or Hepatitis C, and recent surveys confirm that SI are a persistent and challenging problem. So here’s the basics on how to prevent a sharp injury...

1. Ensure you are trained in the procedure and the device.
2. Don’t rush a procedure.
3. Always use a sharps safety device where available.
4. Before procedure, ensure a sharps container is close by, and the aperture is open and clear.
5. Immediately after use, activate the safety device and discard into a sharps container.
6. Do not remove or recap a needle.
7. In the theatre, never pass a sharp by hand, use a neutral zone.
8. If you drop a sharp, never leave it for someone else to pick-up.
9. Ensure a sharps container is closed before you move it.
10. Never overfill a sharps container.
11. Always report your injury.

Dr Linda Good and Terry Grimmond, in their surveys, found there are hospitals with SI rates consistently and significantly below the national average. Here’s what they do that’s different…

Their creative practices fell into 5 strategies.

EDUCATION & TRAINING
Ensure competency for all new staff; re-training after injury or every 2 years.

COMMUNICATION
Injury rates & strategies are transparent to all staff; Non-Safety Engineered Device to be used with permission.

INVESTIGATION
Reporting SI should be made easy 24/7; “drill down” on every injury; seek safer safety devices.

ENGAGEMENT
Hold users and managers responsible for safety and Safety Forums.

LEADERSHIP INVOLVEMENT
Align strategies with organisation’s goals; Use Exec as “back-up”.

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Your Hay Fever guide!

The summer months can play havoc with your hay fever. We know we all appreciate the sunshine, but when the pollen count is high, you symptoms are worse.

There is currently no cure for hay fever and you cannot fully prevent it, but there are things you can do to ease your symptoms when the pollen count is high, particularly during this heat wave we are experiencing.

The Do's

• Put Vaseline around your nostrils to trap pollen
• Wear wraparound sunglasses to stop pollen getting into your eyes
• Shower and change your clothes after you've been outside to wash pollen off
• Stay indoors whenever possible
• Keep windows and doors shut as much as possible
• Vacuum regularly and dust with a damp cloth
• Buy a pollen filter for the air vents in your car and a vacuum cleaner with a special HEPA filter

The Don'ts

• Cut grass or walk on grass if you can avoid it
• Spend too much time outside
Keep fresh flowers in the house
• Smoke or be around smoke – it makes your symptoms worse
• Dry clothes outside – they can catch pollen
• Let pets into the house if possible – they can carry pollen indoors

A Pharmacist can help with hay fever.

Speak to your pharmacist if you have hay fever. They can give advice and suggest the best treatments, like antihistamine drops, tablets or nasal sprays to help with itchy and watery eyes, sneezing and a blocked nose.

When to see your GP

See your GP if your symptoms are getting unmanageable or if they do not improve after taking medicines from a pharmacy.

Your GP may prescribe you steroids or refer you for immunotherapy treatment.

Did you know?

95% of hay fever sufferers are allergic to grass pollen but beer, wine and other spirits contain histamine – the chemical that sets off allergy symptoms in the body.

Pollen forecast

You can check how much pollen is in the air each day using the pollen forecast.

Use the forecast to anticipate when your symptoms will be worse and avoid the outdoors and grassed areas.

Check the forecast here.
Who's this then?

Photo of the week

This little guy got into the Communications Office to read up on smear tests. We admire his enthusiasm but we wish he hadn’t pooped on a desk.

Please keep your photos coming in, by sending them to dbth.buzz@nhs.net (in jpeg format) and we will publish some of the best in future issues - pets always welcome.