

Words Worth Reading Ltd

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Welcome to the December 2015 edition of the Words Worth Reading Ltd newsletter. Wishing you all a happy and prosperous 2016. With the arrival of a new year and a new financial quarter comes a growing workload for the Words Worth Reading Ltd team. Our bid writing specialists are currently supporting a number of healthcare provider bid submissions. Our compliance team is also busy, as we seek to support seven new companies achieve CQC registration status, and over a dozen organisations complete their Information Governance Toolkits. With student essay submissions also increasing, it will be a busy few months.

£2m Fund Will Support Additional GP Out-of-Hours Sessions This Winter

NHS England has announced plans to reimburse additional indemnity costs incurred by GPs offering extra out-of-hours sessions over the winter period.

The size of increase in indemnity costs, seen by Out of Hour providers looking to provide additional capacity over the winter period, had been raised as a barrier to delivering care at NHS England's Urgent and Emergency Care Review Roadshows.

The NHS England Winter Indemnity Scheme has been developed with the Medical Defence Organisations (MDOs), to offset additional indemnity premiums paid by GPs working additional sessions for their out-of-hours providers. The scheme will run across December 2015

and March 2016 and means doctors can commit to more sessions without the need for them to negotiate additional changes to their level of indemnity cover.

This indemnity package will be accessed via the MDO's websites.

Rosamond Roughton, Director of NHS Commissioning, said: "Rising indemnity costs are having a serious impact on GPs as well as stifling innovation in primary care delivery. We are determined to help resolve this issue and this announcement is just part of the work we are doing with our partners to further support GPs and the wider care primary care workforce."

Paris is the Best Place in the World to be a Student

The QS Top Universities Student Cities Ranking for 2016 is out and Paris is on top for the 4th year running. Melbourne is 2nd, with Tokyo 3rd, London has dropped down from 3rd place to 5th, largely down to the cost of living.

The annual index assesses 75 cities to study in from across the globe. Ranking is based on 5 key criteria:

- university rankings
- student mix
- desirability
- employer activity
- affordability

Paris scores well for its low student fees, employer recognition of degrees and the quality of its universities. It also scores well for desirability and has a strong ratio of international students, but loses marks for its level of tolerance and inclusion.

Anna Greenburgh, an Oxford University graduate who is studying for a master's degree in economics and psychology at the Sorbonne, said: "I'm getting more perspectives on issues than I did at Oxford, where the majority of people on my course were raised in England."



Spotted on Twitter



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These are the most optimistic countries in the world

<http://i100.io/MYJNTxa>



NHS Choices @NHSchoices

Exercise is 'most effective' method of preventing lower back pain:

<http://ow.ly/XOKLr>

#BehindTheHeadlines ...



Electric Literature @ElectricLit

Why is there so much gender disparity in non-fiction publishing?

<http://electricliterature.com/men-dominate-the-historical-books-genre-according-to-slate-survey/> ...



Boing Boing @boingboing

Patterns of the Universe: A Coloring Adventure in Math and Beauty

<http://boingboing.net/2016/01/13/patterns-of-the-universe-a-co.html> ...

Charity of the Month



TEXT SANTA
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IN A CHRISTMAS KNIT

In five years of fundraising, Text Santa has raised over £29,000,000. 2015's proceeds will directly benefit three charities Macmillan Cancer Support, Make-A-Wish® UK and Save the Children

<http://www.itv.com/textsanta>

CQC Working with NSPCC to Encourage Young Carers to Share Their Experiences

The CQC has launched a six-month partnership with the NSPCC and its free, 24-hour counselling service, ChildLine, as part of its commitment and efforts to listen to and act on people's experiences of care, including young carers and patients, who can be hard to reach.

This latest 'tell us about your care' partnership builds on learning from six existing partnerships with Action Against Medical Accidents (AvMA), Age UK, Carers UK, Mind, The Patients Association, and The Relatives and Residents Association. Partners work on the CQC's behalf to gather and submit regular feedback to them which then acts as vital intelligence to help inform where, when and what they inspect.

All the organisations working with the CQC are in a unique position to reach, and be reached, by people who may choose to discuss concerns about the way they are receiving services and the NSPCC is no exception.

The NSPCC will gather and submit regular feedback to the CQC.

Chris Day, Director of Engagement at the Care Quality Commission, said:

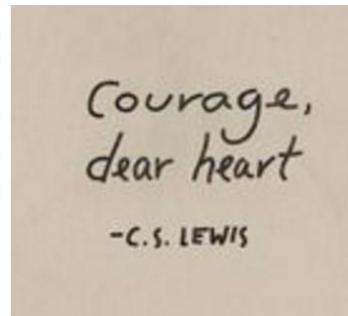
"It is great to have ChildLine and the NSPCC working with us. Children and young people have a great deal of experience using care services and have opinions of how they have been cared for by in their general practices, dental surgeries, hospitals and other services, which need to be listened to and acted upon. NSPCC and ChildLine can assist us to reach out to young people who may have information that can help us take action against poor care and celebrate great services.

"Through our 'tell us about your care' partnerships, anyone can share their views and concerns about services. We use this information so we can make sure people get safe, effective, compassionate and high-quality health and adult social care they deserve and that we expect."



NSPCC 
Cruelty to children must stop. FULL STOP.

Pins That Inspired Us This Month



Visit our Pinterest boards @ [pinterest.com/pearce0329](https://www.pinterest.com/pearce0329) and follow the links!

In other news...

- We are delighted to announce that we have been named as a finalist in the iHubbub Business of the Year Awards 2015. Winners will be announced mid-January.
- Emma Donogue's bestselling, Booker prize shortlisted, book, Room, has successfully transferred to the big screen. It is tipped for Oscar success and is at cinemas now.
- Look out for our annual charity report; it will be available for the public to download from our website in January.

Things that we like this month



WINNIE THE POOH DAY

Celebrate one of the cuddliest holidays around with a teddy bears' picnic! Winnie the Pooh Day, on the 18th January, marks the author A A Milne's birthday.

Don't forget the honey!



A CENTURY OF STYLE: COSTUME & COLOUR

An exhibition of 1800s clothing, accessories & sewing equipment from across Glasgow Museums' collection.

www.glasgowmuseums.com



UNICEF DAY FOR CHANGE

Join the challenge and collect as much loose change as you can from January to May for Unicef – look down the sofa, in your pockets – and anywhere else you can think of!

<http://www.unicef.org.uk/>

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