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## Welcome



Welcome to our summer newsletter. It is another packed issue and you can read about some of the projects that the AHSN is delivering through partner organisations such as NHS Innovations North and the North East Quality Observatory System (NEQOS). You will see that NEQOS is delivering another Masterclass in the Collaborating for Better Care Partnership (CfBCP) series, please do sign up for that event, the CfBCP is where practitioners with an interest in Quality Improvement come together to learn and work together. This will be a big area for us over the coming year or two as we seek to pull together the expertise on this within the region and provide infrastructure to support it.

Partnership working like this is central to the way we operate and allows us to mobilise the expertise within the region without duplication of efforts. Partnership working was also a key theme in our recent Stakeholder event and in the launch of our Mental Health programme. We had a fabulous turn-out at the Durham County Cricket Club and were delighted to welcome Geraldine Strathdee and Sarah Khan from the NHS England Mental Health team as keynote speakers.

Our team has also been working hard to continue to support the delivery of a wide range of projects focused on improving health outcomes and driving economic growth across our region. We have some great work to share with you from our projects within our Telehealth, Respiratory, Elderly Care and Falls and Fractures programmes. You will see below that we will be hosting four events in September and you can find out how to register for these events below.

I'm looking forward to seeing you at our autumn events but I hope you manage to enjoy some sunshine in the meantime.

*Sean Powell*



## Patient and Public Involvement (PPI)



The AHSN NENC has supported a number of projects that promote PPI. Please visit our programme page to see the latest case studies

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## Neuro-rehabilitation Centre Delivers NHS Savings



An AHSN NENC commissioned report, to measure the cost-effectiveness of Keiro's neuro-rehabilitation centre, has identified that the centre delivers a reduction estimated at £151,997 per patient per year. Scaled up, this suggests savings to the NHS of £156 million over 10 years.

To read the report findings please visit [Identifying the Economic Value of the Keiro Service Pathway](#).

## Patient Safety Collaborative – Q Initiative



The Q Initiative aims to make it easier for people from all parts of the health care system to share ideas, enhance their skills and make changes that bring tangible benefits for patients.

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