### Community Partnerships

Supporting and working with community groups and clubs to promote a deeper understanding of local health and care needs and experiences

# Spotlight on



## The Sussex Community NHS Foundation Trust's Living Well Programme

The Living Well programme is a self-management course developed for people who live with a long-term health condition, such as heart disease, asthma, MS, depression, arthritis, ME/CFS. IBS and many more.

You can either access the course face-to-face in a local community venue or online via MS Teams.

**Topics covered include:** 

How to manage common symptoms such as pain, fatigue, stress, anxiety, isolation, depression, physical limitations, shortness of breath and poor sleep, goal setting and problem solving, healthy eating, physical activity, communication skills, accessing NHS services and working with your Healthcare team, relaxation techniques, positive thinking, managing medications, breathing exercises, apps and online resources and budget management.

Groups are led by two trained volunteer tutors who are themselves living with long-term health conditions. Each session runs for 2 hours (including a break). Each participant will be offered a practice one-to-one video call on Microsoft Teams before the start of the course to ensure they are confident in its use.

#### The details of the next FREE 6-week online course are as follows:

Tuesdays. From 9 July - 13th August 2024. 6pm - 8pm Mondays. From 15 July - 19th August 2024. 2pm - 4pm Tuesdays. From 27 August - 1st October 2024. 10am - 12pm Fridays. From 6 September - 11th October 2024. 10am - 12pm

#### Places are limited and booking is essential (self-referral):

Contact the Living Well Team on **sc-tr.livingwell@nhs.net** or 01273 267545 / 01403 620448. Or there is a referral and self-referral form on the webpage:

sussexcommunity.nhs.uk/livingwell

## For help, advice, and information or to share your story

#### Healthwatch is your health and social care champion.

If you use GPs and hospitals, dentists, pharmacies, care homes or other support services, we want to hear about your experiences. We have the power to make sure NHS leaders and other decision makers listen to your feedback and improve standards of care. We also help people to find reliable and trustworthy information and advice



Last year, we helped nearly a million people like you to have your say and get the support you need.



If you are setting up or would like to share news of a similar project we would be interested to hear from you. Please contact Cheryl Berry, Community Partnership Lead: cheryl.berry@healthwatchwestsussex.co.uk

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