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Dear colleague,

I am delighted to share with you this timely and important research which captures current thinking around public/community involvement from a wide variety of stakeholders and sets out options and possibilities for the future in the context of the integration of adult health and social care services.

The Scottish Health Council commissioned ODS Consulting to produce independent research on the future requirements and possibilities for public involvement in adult health and social care. This research was shaped by a reference group which comprised representatives from an NHS Board, local authority, third sector, Scottish Government, COSLA, lay members as well as the Scottish Health Council.

This report sets out the findings from the research and is accompanied by a separate 'think piece' which develops the issues and gives further consideration to the options around outcomes, standards and structures for public involvement in integrated services.

The Scottish Health Council, working in conjunction with COSLA and the Scottish Government, will be hosting events during summer and autumn of 2013 with the aim of sharing the key findings of this report, getting feedback and helping to develop a shared vision for public involvement within integrated adult health and social care services.

We would be very keen to hear your views on any of the issues contained in these reports. Please email any comments to gary.mcgrow@scottishhealthcouncil.org

Copies of the full report, summary and 'think piece' are available at <http://bit.ly/13Tk47k>

Best wishes



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