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LOCAL COMMENT SOUGHT FOR INVESTIGATION INTO GOSPORT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

The Commission for Health Improvement (CHI) wants to hear from patients, their relatives and carers, staff and former members of staff, GPs, patients' representatives and community groups who wish to talk about their experience of Gosport War Memorial Hospital.

CHI is investigating continuing and rehabilitation inpatient care in Gosport War Memorial Hospital following reported concerns about the quality of care for older people provided by the hospital and the culture in which it is delivered.

The investigation team includes a doctor, nurse and therapist who specialise in elderly care, and a primary care trust chief executive, all drawn from within the NHS, a lay person and CHI's investigation manager. At the end of the investigation, CHI will publish a report including what action needs to be taken at the trust.

Members of the investigation team will hold prearranged meetings from 9:30-4:30 on Wednesday 21 November in Gosport, and Thursday 22 and Friday 23 November in Portsmouth. CHI would also welcome comments until the middle of December. Those with experience of the hospital, staff and GPs can contact CHI's stakeholder line to arrange a personal appointment on 0845 601 2238 (calls charged at local rate). CHI would also welcome feedback by telephone, email or letter.

CONTACT DETAILS:

- to arrange an in confidence appointment, for a confidential phone conversation or for more information **Code A** (charge at local rate) – we offer a ring back service at your convenience
- write to **Code A** Health Improvement, FREEPOST
- email ke **Code A**
- fax on 0 **Code A**

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