

A day of sharing innovations



Sharing knowledge at the centre



Samantha Jones NHS England's New Care Models Programme Director, enjoyed her day at the Design and Learning Centre for Clinical and Social Innovation, to see how the centre operates and its progress since being launched in 2016.

The visit was used to demonstrate the methodology being adopted which has been informed through learning from other similar centres that operate nationally and internationally and to showcase the good work happening across Kent and the products of the Design and Learning Centre. The products showcased on the day included the ESTHER Model, Microsystems Leadership, Buurtzorg, Integrated Community Health Care Centre, Medication Compliance Project (The first challenge being undertaken by the Design and Learning Centre) and Evaluation which covered the Kent Integrated Care Evaluation, Impact Framework from the Voluntary Sector and the Kent Integrated Dataset.

The day focussed on sharing learning and good practise through the projects showcased, including achievements to date and next steps. As part of discussions following presentations there were constructive challenges and information sharing to help drive projects forward with a focus on the role and importance of evaluation.

The event was well attended by a wide range of professionals from health, social care and the voluntary sector making this a good opportunity to share learning and form possible partnerships in shared work.

The visit enabled us to share a wide range of good practise happening across the county and to gain important feedback and guidance from Samantha which we can use to inform and guide future work.

Samantha said of her day: *"It was a fascinating day with so much going on in the locality. I very much enjoyed it. I think there is much to reflect on and think through how it can be linked in to the wider national and local networks."*

Samantha is shown the Push Project by Dr Robert Stewart.

The Push Project - giving 10 minutes of life, this product is a collaboration with Kyoto University in Japan to enable young adults to give cardiac compressions to adults who have suffered a cardiac arrest. The proposal is that schools will be supplied with mats and a squeaky cushion imported from Japan - 14 to 16 year olds will practice giving cardiac compression by pressure on the cushion for 10 minutes. The successful young adults will be presented with a certificate and be part of a network linked to an app.

My immediate reflection is that there is so much stuff you are doing and it would be good for it to be shared wider and as far as possible as there is much to learn."

You can find more information on the centre [here](#).