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Provider Newsletter:

Dear Devon Cares Provider,

Today Devon Cares have been in Green Lanes promoting Proud to Care. This was a good event, with lots of great attendees all with a range of backgrounds seeking a move into care or management.



1. The neuro-rehab team needs your votes!

The mytherapy project by the neuro-rehab team has been shortlisted for a grant from Tesco's community funding scheme to help fund further development of the mytherapy website, but they need your votes to get it.

The mytherapy website is already successfully helping people to use apps to recover following a stroke or brain injury. The team hopes to gain the funding to expand the website for people with non-neuro rehabilitation needs. This will include testing more games and apps and adding any approved apps to the website.

Three projects in our region have been shortlisted to receive a share of the money generated from carrier bag sales, and Tesco customers will decide who gets the grant by voting in Tesco stores each time they shop. Shoppers will receive a token when they buy something and can then cast their vote.

The project with the highest number of votes will receive £4,000 (or amount requested up to this value). Second place will receive £2,000 and third place will get £1,000.

Voting is now open until Wednesday 28 February. All Tesco stores in Barnstaple are participating – please help the team by voting every time you shop.

2. Start 2018 with a fresh challenge and raise money for Over and Above

What better way to start the year than to brush away the cobwebs with one of our adrenaline-filled challenges:

- Berry Beast 180ft abseil - Saturday 17 March at Berry cliffs near Hartland,
- Skydive - Saturday 28 April at Dunkeswell Airfield, Honiton

Find out more about these exciting challenges and alternative dates on the Over and Above website <http://overandabove.org.uk/events/>

3. National Recruitment Campaign

If you have not already completed the Skills for Care survey there is still time.

Skills for Care are interested in your views on whether a national recruitment campaign will be of benefit. The intent of any national campaign, if supported, would include improving perceptions of the adult social care sector. The survey deadline is 08:30am on Thursday 1st Feb, so please make sure your views are known, regardless of those views! The link to the survey is:

<http://www.skillsforcare.org.uk/Getting-involved/Get-involved-in-our-work/National-recruitment-campaign.aspx>

4. Weather update for South West England

This Evening and Tonight:

Cloud, rain and strong winds will reach Northern Ireland and western Scotland early this evening, spreading to other western parts later. Clear periods in the southeast make frost and perhaps some fog likely here.

Saturday:

A spell of wet weather for all parts with rain gradually clearing eastwards. It will become brighter with showers in the north later, but windy with severe gales possible in the far north.

Outlook for Sunday to Tuesday:

Sunday mild and windy with bright spells, but rain in the north and west. Rain moving southwards on Monday, then turning brighter and colder. Rain pushing northeastwards on Tuesday.

5. Unfilled List:

If any providers can provide care in the following area's then please contact the Brokers.

- Pyworthy, Holsworthy
- Holsworthy Beacon, Holsworthy
- Riddlecombe, Chulmleigh
- Chandlers Way, Ilfracombe
- Newton St Cyres, Exeter

6. Dates for diary:

Provider meeting - Wednesday 21 February 2018

Useful contact details:

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