I have great pleasure in extending a personal invitation to

Health Care, Social Care, Voluntary Care
Perfect Partnerships or Dangerous Liaisons

Thursday 24 October
9.15am – 3.30pm
Pavilions of Harrogate
Yorkshire Event Centre, Great Yorkshire Showground, Harrogate, HG2 8NZ

Refreshments and buffet lunch provided

Please reserve your free place by emailing
awells@carersresource.org

WHY ATTEND?
Health and social care services are perceived to be at breaking point. Volunteers are perceived as the “solution to everything”. This conference will challenge participants to address which elements of these services can be met safely, reliably and cost effectively by volunteers.

Drawing upon an esteemed line-up of speakers, including Dame Philippa Russell, Chair of the Standing Commission on Carers - this major conference will offer a unique opportunity to focus on the potential of volunteering

OUR SPEAKERS
David Buck - Senior Fellow, Public Health and Health Inequalities, The King’s Fund
Emmie Shaw - Client, Carers’ Resource
Dame Philippa Russell - Chair, Standing Commission on Carers
Dr Mary Larkin - School of Applied Social Sciences, De Montfort University
Nick Ockenden - Head, Institute for Volunteering Research
Fiona Johnson - Volunteer, Carers’ Resource
Chris Leech - Senior Corporate Adviser: Transport Sector, Business in the Community
Aims of the conference
The conference will cover three key areas:

- Are volunteers ‘safe and professional’ enough to operate in the health and social care sectors – what risks are there and what value do they offer? Can volunteer-led projects be trusted partners in service provision? Can volunteers ever make a real difference?
- What is/will be the impact of personalisation on third sector organisations, volunteers and carers – are carers ‘volunteers’ or should they be paid through individual budgets? Should voluntary services ever be charged for or how do they become sustainable? Is the third sector going to survive ‘personalisation’?
- Are volunteers free? Do they add value? Does volunteering itself have positive outcomes? Can/should they be ‘paid’ or given reward for their role and in the same way can/should carers be rewarded?

Who will be there?
The summit will bring together leaders and high-level practitioners from across:

- The NHS and wider healthcare
- Academia
- Private sector
- Local Authority and Social Care
- Voluntary Sector
- Public Health

Your hosts

- For nearly 20 years our charity, Carers’ Resource, has been at the forefront of ensuring an all-too-often hidden army of volunteers and carers has a voice across the spectrum of health, social and caring services.
- We are well-placed to bring this conference to you. We are one of just 11 organisations nationally (from more than 150 applicants) who secured Department of Health Funding to explore the role and value of volunteering in health and social care settings. Our focus is personalisation and choice of care and support.
- We are currently working in four diverse areas – North Yorkshire, Bradford, Leeds and Hull – to deliver a range of supportive services by volunteers for carers and vulnerable individuals, including a specialist bereavement element.

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