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REQUEST

RE: Medication adherence for people with Parkinson's in hospital

Parkinson's UK is trying to determine how people with Parkinson's, and their carers, are encouraged to take an active role in their treatment and care.

Please could you answer the questions below about your Trust's policies? Many thanks in advance for your assistance:

Self-administration of medicines policies

1. Does your Trust have a self-administration of medicines policy for competent patients? **Yes/ No**
 - a. If yes, please provide a copy of this policy?
 - b. If yes, please outline whether this policy applies to all hospital sites and all wards, or specify the sites or wards to which it applies?
 - c. If no, are you planning to introduce this policy in 2017/18? **Yes/ No**
2. If you have a policy please provide details of the use of the self-administration of medicines policy? This includes:
 - a. How are your staff informed about this policy?
 - b. How is the implementation of this policy monitored across the hospitals in your Trust?
3. If you do not have a self-administration of medicines policy, why is this?
[Please let us know of any barriers to introducing a policy in your Trust].

Carers visiting hours

3. Do you currently have a policy which allows carers to visit the person they care for outside of visiting hours? **Yes/ No**
 - a. If yes, please provide a copy of this policy
 - b. If yes, please outline whether this policy applies to all hospital sites and all wards, or specify the sites or wards to which it applies
 - c. If no, are you planning to introduce a policy in 2017/18? **Yes/ No**
 - d. If no, please outline any work that your Trust is undertaking with a view to enabling carers to visit the person they care for outside visiting hours?

4. If you have a policy, please provide details of the use of the policy to allow carers to visit outside of traditional visiting hours? This includes:
 - a. How are your staff informed about this policy?
 - b. How is the implementation of this policy monitored across the hospitals in your Trust?
5. If you do not have a policy which allows carers to visit the person they care for outside of visiting hours, why is this? [Please let us know of any barriers to introducing a policy in your Trust].

RESPONSE

Please see the attachments

STHK has signed up to John's Campaign across the whole trust . It is originally meant for Carers of those patients with a cognitive impairment usually with a dementia diagnosis. We have however also included Carers of patients who are at the end of their life.

If the patient with PD has a 24 hour carer at home, (limited to one carer) then they would fall under the remit of Johns Campaign and therefore receive the same benefits.

The priorities of the campaign is designed for the main carer to stay with the person with dementia to enhance the **care** and **experience** that the patient receives.

Every ward has had a folding put up bed purchased for this reason.