



News Headlines: 27 August 2015

March 2015 was the last Telecare LIN [newsletter](#) supported by Innovate UK, KTN Ltd and the Assisted Living Innovation Platform and we would like to thank them for their support in recent years.

There have been over 7000 links of interest since June 2015 – sadly, we are unable to bring them to you in a curated format at this time.

Going forward we need your support. To maintain a comprehensive monthly news summary going out to over 48,000 people, we are looking to crowdsource funding to support the website, content and hundreds of links and [journal article references](#) each month. We are currently looking for a number of organisations to support continuing production (including [supplements](#), [Twitter stream](#), [archive](#)) at around the £5k level per year. The news service, currently in its tenth year is recognised as an authoritative source and valuable resource in the UK and in other parts of the world working on digital health, telehealth, mHealth, telemedicine and telecare.

Many people also value the extensive coverage of UK health and care policy as well as regular [site listings](#) and supplements (eg [telehealth](#), [dementia](#), [long term conditions](#)). This is, therefore, an opportunity not to be missed if your organisation would like to be associated with the sector-leading newsletter and our successful brand. You can email j.porteus@telecarelin.org.uk for details.

In the meantime, we will be providing a limited 'headline only' service for registered members of the website whilst we establish whether or not the crowdfunding approach is successful over the next three months. You can still follow Mike Clark on Twitter (@clarkmike - together with summaries on [Storify](#) and [Rebelmouse](#)) or Jeremy at @HousingLIN or on the Housing LIN [homepage](#).

Some News Headlines this week

- (i) Five million people in England have blood sugar levels indicating a high risk of developing Type 2 diabetes, according to a new [report](#) from Public Health England.
- (ii) Egbot delivers the National Information Board's vision of citizen access to health & care services – new [video](#).
- (iii) The National Information Board (NIB) will hold its leadership summit at the Health and Care Innovation Expo 15 on 3 September. The [quarterly summit](#) will take place between 10am and 12:30pm. It will be streamed online, so you can watch it live and join the conversation on Twitter by following [@Health_2020](#) and using the hashtag #health2020.
- (iv) Residents, staff and visitors at HC-One care homes can now say what they think of the quality of care and services being provided on new user-friendly touchscreen tablet computers. Tablets have been installed in the reception areas of 174 of its homes (Carehome.co.uk [article](#)).
- (v) [From the U.S.](#): HealthSpot has unveiled a new functionality available through its in-store telehealth kiosks - a blood test that captures a number of health metrics in as little as 7 minutes.

(vi) [From the US](#): At Indiana's FVNS, 3 nurses + 3 techs + 1 scheduler support 1,000 remote patients – readmissions reduced.

(vii) Four postgraduate students from Glasgow have won £6k in funding to launch an interactive app that can improve the mental and physical wellbeing of those living with dementia and their carers (Care Industry News [article](#)).

(viii) The Royal Surrey Hospital, Bournemouth Hospital and The Royal Free Hospital are among the latest in a growing number providing free hospital wifi to patients, visitors and staff (Digital Health Age [article](#)).

(ix) 'In general, the content of currently available apps for Bipolar Disorder is not in line with practice guidelines or established self-management principles. Apps also fail to provide important information to help users assess their quality, with most lacking source citation and a privacy policy. Therefore, both consumers and clinicians should exercise caution with app selection' – part of the conclusion from [Mobile Apps for Bipolar Disorder: A Systematic Review of Features and Content Quality](#)

(x) Digital economy minister Rt Hon Ed Vaizey MP writes for [PSE](#) about the recently launched £10m Internet of Things demonstrator competition and how local authorities can get involved.

(xi) A Chester-based life science team is behind a new [campaign](#) – *#LetsGetDigital* – to get doctors using smart devices in hospitals and surgeries.

(xii) New from Tunstall:

- [Quest for Quality in Care Homes – using telehealthcare to enable integrated, anticipatory and sustainable health and care services](#)
- [Tweets](#) from the new Innovations Centre at Tunstall Healthcare

(xiii) Korean health care solution firm Hidea Solutions has launched the world's first remote health care, or telecare, solution running on a 4G network, dubbed LivOn Silvercare. ([Korea Herald](#) and [Livoncare](#))

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