

Bliss Update

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Hi Ruth and Sarah,

I wanted to provide a quick update on the Bliss volunteers and support groups under your Network.

Russell's Hall – Stacey is leaving but I have scheduled two interviews with Julie Marks in May for two new applicants. One of whom is a Dad which I am very pleased with.

Walsall Manor – I met with Lisa Poston yesterday who has agreed to take on another Bliss Volunteer. I had two but one has left due to finding full time work. Amanda goes in each week and Sharmila will be joining her as soon as she has been cleared.

New Cross – 4 Volunteers that go in during the week. Claire runs a parent support group on the unit where she provides tea/coffee and a chat.

Stoke - 1 volunteer awaiting clearance. Natalie Taylor was at the meeting on Monday.

County - I did have two but spoke with Lisa James (volunteer services) who advised all paediatric services have moved to Stoke so I will ask them if they prefer to volunteer there.

Telford – Met with Sam Davies last month to discuss setting up a support group. We are actively recruiting this and Sam is making enquiries into a venue not far from the Hospital.

The **Dudley Family Group** is going well. However, both Stacey and Joe are considering leaving due to conflicting commitments. I have asked if we can meet to discuss further. If they need to give it up, I will be looking at recruiting volunteers to replace them.

Sarah, if you can send me the pack, I will contact Abi and Siobhan (potential parent reps) to get involved in the Picker project.

Many thanks,

Alia.

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