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Healthwatch Leicestershire recruiting for new Board members

Healthwatch Leicestershire (HWL) has launched a recruitment campaign to find six new Board members.

The campaign wants to attract highly skilled and motivated candidates that feel passionate about helping Healthwatch Leicestershire become a credible, respected and influential voice on behalf of all who use health and social care services in the county.

HWL Interim Chair Vijay Sharma said they are looking for candidates who are "passionate about patients and puts them at the centre of everything".

For more information about the role and how to apply please visit the HWL website www.healthwatchleicestershire.co.uk.

These positions are unpaid, however reasonable out of pocket expenses will be paid.

Application must be received by 4pm 22 November 2013.

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Notes to Editors

About Healthwatch Leicestershire

Healthwatch Leicestershire is the new, independent consumer champion for health and social care in Leicestershire. The orgnisation will help to shape and improve local health and social care in our community. Healthwatch Leicestershire is part of the Healthwatch national network, established by the Government to ensure local patients and users have a greater input to shaping and designing local services.

About Healthwatch England

Healthwatch England is the new, independent consumer champion for health and social care in England. The organisation has independent statutory powers, as stated in the Health and Social Care Act 2012, to ensure the consumers' voice is heard and best practice is delivered in health and social care nationally. Healthwatch is also focused on providing leadership, guidance and support to the development of the Healthwatch network. To find out more please go to www.healthwatch.co.uk.