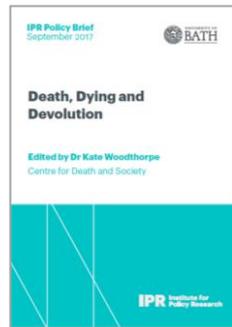


National Headliners

The Institute of Policy and Research produce a briefing report on “Death, Dying and Devolution”: This report reviews policy areas connected with death, dying and bereavement within the context of devolution, its implications for individuals and for those tasked with organising and running the services that support these groups of people. It sets out the risks and potential for better policy and services associated with death.



Access this [resource](#)

“Findings so far” from personal health budgets and personalisation report in palliative and end of life care (EoLC) now available: this report captures learning from the five test sites that are now examining their experience of using End of Life personal health budgets. The hypothesis is that if an individual and their family are supported earlier in making their choices for EoLC then they will experience better outcomes at EoL.

Personal health budgets and personalisation in palliative and end of life care
Findings so far
October 2017

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Hospice UK releases a new resource “Flying Home” - Helping patients to arrange international travel: This guide aims to allay many of those anxieties and ensure that stresses are minimised for those in the advanced stages of illness.



For more information [here](#)

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“Together for Short Lives” collection of resources “Together We Can”: This accumulation of resources is for organisations that are developing a service where volunteers support families of a child with a life-limiting or life-threatening condition but might be useful for any organisation developing volunteer services.



Access the [website](#)

New electronic palliative care co-ordination system (EPaCCS)

BNSSG CCGs are implementing EPaCCS in two stages:

Stage One is a consistent End Of Life (EOL) record based in the patient’s registered practice input using an EMIS template. The record is informed by extensive local clinical consultation and the National Standards. It will be shared across the health community via the Connecting Care portal from early 2018, and replace the Adastra EOL register.

This is a first step towards the true EPaCCS solution: **Stage Two** is being planned and will develop a system that all users can update.

For more info: scwcsu.bnssg.epaccs@nhs.net.

Regional Updates

- **South West Regional EoL Conference:** This free event is on **Tuesday 6th February 2018** at [Taunton Racecourse](#)
- **Capacity and Consent – Mental Capacity and Advance Care Planning:** This free workshop is on **Tuesday 20th February 2018** at [Taunton Rugby Club](#)

Bookings will open in December

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