Cancer Alliance input at Bassetlaw BEST Event

On 16 May South Yorkshire, Bassetlaw and North Derbyshire Cancer Alliance attended the Bassetlaw BEST event to speak with GPs and Practise Nurses about the alliance and its workstreams.

Fran Mead, Early Diagnosis Project Lead at the Cancer Alliance, gave an overview of the alliance and discussed the Early Diagnosis Workstream. Following on from this the Vague Symptoms Pathway for patients with non-specific but concerning symptoms was discussed by Stacey Nutt, Lead Cancer Nurse at Doncaster and Bassetlaw Hospital Trust. In the last session led by the Cancer Alliance attendees heard about the implementation of FIT (Faecal Immunology Testing) for diagnosing symptomatic patients with suspected bowel cancers and were shown the new proposed pathway for Lower GI which FIT is part of. They also looked at Learning from Significant Events and CRUK Audit in practices, led by Victoria Fairbourn-Varley, Cancer Research UK Facilitator and Dr Amin Goodarzi, Cancer Research UK GP.

The Cancer Alliance would like to thank everyone who came along for the event and for taking the time to fill in the engagement survey that was available on the day. For more details regarding any of the information discussed at the session, please contact:

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