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Good afternoon,

I hope this email finds you well. I am the Citizen's Advice Healthwatch Champion covering Torridge and North Devon.

Healthwatch Devon are launching a new project called Healthwatch Assists, and we would love for you to be part of the network. The positives for this network, which even include grants for specific pieces of engagement are highlighted below, however, please get in touch if you have any further questions. I have also attached a document going into further details. It would be really appreciated if you could also forward this email onto anyone you feel may benefit as well.

If you would like to discuss my role as Healthwatch Champion as well, and how I may be able to support you please do not hesitate to contact me.

I look forward to hearing from you,
Kind regards,



We are delighted to invite you to join our Healthwatch Assist Network.

Help us become a stronger local voice

Healthwatch in Devon, Plymouth and Torbay is all about local voices being able to influence the delivery and design of local services. Not just people who use them, but anyone who might need to in future.

Our mission is to gather, publicise and escalate views about people's experience of health & social care services in Devon, Plymouth and Torbay in order to inform and improve the access to and experience of health and social care.

We believe the best way to achieve this is to work in partnership with community groups and organisations like yours in order to grow a stronger voice, together.

The 3 main things we want to achieve over the next few years are to:

- Reach more people in urban and rural communities, online communities and unheard voices.
- Encourage continuing feedback by showing that the evidence we collect is listened to and has a positive impact on shaping services.
- Give information and offer support about services, and signpost to other support services so people can make informed choices

Benefits of becoming part of the free Healthwatch Assist network
Healthwatch Assists will:

- Feature on our website as a Healthwatch Assist
- Receive a Healthwatch Assist welcome Pack
- Have access to a small grants scheme for specific pieces of engagement
- Be invited to our Quarterly Network meetings, AGM and other HW events
- Receive our Healthwatch *Voices* magazine and weekly E-Bulletin
- Help us to be a stronger local voice
- Be invited to take part in polls and surveys

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