

## **Email Received: NHS, Social Care and Frontline Workers Day – 5<sup>th</sup> July 2021**

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PSN is proud to be supporting The NHS, Social Care and Frontline Workers' Day event planned for the 5th July 2021 and organised by the Pageantmaster Bruno Peek. We are sharing this in the hope you will help to raise awareness and encourage your staff, students and the public to participate. The aim is to help everyone recognise, celebrate and express gratitude for the crucial contribution of all those working within the frontlines of Health and Social Care.

- [www.nhsfrontlineday.org](http://www.nhsfrontlineday.org)

Over the decades the NHS has faced crisis, economic downturns, periods of prosperity, growth and so much more. However, none would argue that these past long months have brought a new respect and affection for the NHS and the people who work for it; we have relied on them to treat us during the coronavirus pandemic and to keep us safe - and they have not let us down.

Let's not also forget the tens of thousands of care home workers too who have given their skills and service - often putting their own health on the line to keep safe the elderly and vulnerable.



I believe a national, annual day when we remember to thank them all - for being there when we need you most - is not only appropriate, it taps into the nation's high regard it has for NHS staff and all care and frontline workers. It will comprise of a series of events throughout the day, all of which (bar the ringing of the bells) can be enjoyed during lockdown - although we hope this won't be the case.

These include:

- **10am: The raising of the Rainbow Flag**
- **11am: The Two Minute Silence, playing of the Last Post and Reveille**
- **1pm: The Nation's Toast to the Heroes of the NHS, Social Care and Frontline Workers**
- **1pm - Onwards: Garden Parties at Home and celebrations in the gardens of Pubs, Hotels and Restaurants etc.**
- **3pm Afternoon tea, led by the members of the National Federation of Women's Institutes and the NHS Big Tea Initiative**
- **8pm: Clapping & the Ringing of Church Bells**

These milestone events (which are outlined fully on the website [www.nhsfrontlineday.org](http://www.nhsfrontlineday.org)) are designed to involve as many aspects of our wide and diverse society as possible, and are being organised to raise money for NHS Charities Together, set up to support 250 hospitals and their

charitable trusts, and for the National Care Association, a membership body representing 1.6 million workers caring for some of society's frailest citizens.

It is impossible to predict whether the crisis caused by COVID-19 will be over on July 5, 2021, so the following events could be subject to change, but provision will be made in the planning for all eventualities.

However, the guarantee is that ALL proceeds raised will be used in supporting the health and wellbeing of NHS staff and Care Association workers and will be divided equally between those member hospital trusts and care providers.

The plan is to make this an annual event, growing in size and stature involving individuals, local communities and others. Those taking part are being asked to register their involvement on the website [www.nhsfrontlineday.org](http://www.nhsfrontlineday.org) and they can also download a special certificate to keep as a permanent reminder of their participation in this most special of events.

I do hope that you will take part in one or more of the above activities on July 5 2021.