

## How else can I get involved?

You can also contribute by being involved in other PPI initiatives such as focus groups and co-production projects. Contact our Patient and Public Involvement team for news about current and upcoming involvement initiatives:



## How can I contact you?

Interested in being an interview panel member? Want to discuss any other information mentioned in this leaflet?

Get in touch!

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panels participation**

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## What is 'Patient and Public Involvement'

We want to develop and improve the services we offer in a meaningful and informed way.

We want to empower you to have a say and promote a cultural change that will improve your experience of the NHS.

To do this, we want our patients and service users and the public to get involved in our work.

**"The staff allowed me to voice my own opinions and included me in asking questions"-**

**Service user representative**

## What's this about being on your interview panels?

One way to get involved is to become a panel member when we interview potential staff.

You will be invited to interview for services in the Trust. In this way you will have a say in who works for us.

We will provide training that gives you an understanding of the recruitment process from start to finish.

You will contribute valuable insights on how a candidate comes across, how comfortable you'd feel if they were your clinician and how well you think they would work with patients.

So far, having former service users participate in interview panels has been beneficial – feedback received from staff and service users and patients has been very positive.

## What will I gain?

As an interview panel member you will:

- get paid for your time
- add useful experience to your CV
- receive two hours of interview panel member training
- be involved in the recruitment process at our Trust
- have your say in who works at the Tavistock and Portman

**"I really enjoyed the grading/marking part, especially when we all shared our own at the end and then added them up"-**

**Service user representative**