Hello Herefordshire and Worcestershire PPG network members,

The NHS across Herefordshire and Worcestershire will be significantly impacted throughout the strike action due to take place, with junior doctor strikes scheduled for 11-15 August and consultants strike action 24-25 August.

**NHS services in Herefordshire and Worcestershire are expecting significant disruption during this period.**

We would like to ask all colleagues and partners to share this message as wide as possible with their networks and groups to inform them of the potential impact over the coming days and to remind them of support services available.

NHS 111 is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year online at 111.nhs.uk or by calling 111 for any urgent but not life-threatening medical needs. Trained advisers can direct people to the best possible care for their needs, including arranging an out-of-hours GP appointment or an appointment time to attend A&E or a Minor Injury Unit.

Please share this messaging with your groups and networks. If you would like a list of national and locals comms resources, please let me know and I can send these to you.

Apologies for any cross posting.

Many thanks,

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