The power of networks



Skills for Care supports over 140 networks for registered managers, covering every local authority area in England and eight regional deputy manager networks, across six areas.

The registered manager networks are chaired and led by registered managers and the deputy manager networks are facilitated by a Skills for Care locality manager.

Our recent survey highlighted the value of networks to both registered managers and deputy managers.

97% of managers would recommend joining their registered manager or deputy manager network

The network provides excellent peer support and sharing of best practice across the nursing, residential, home care and specialist services. Connectivity is key to build a stronger network to support registered managers in their roles both now and in the future. Guest speakers are always of a high quality and relevant. The network provides opportunities to ask questions in a safe space and meet with a wide range of managers from the different sectors. We can all contribute and learn from one another.

Hazel Murphy, Registered Manager, Premier Care

82% felt more valued and supported in their current role as a result of attending their network

I have found it very valuable being new to the locality to begin to start getting to know other managers and services around the area. It offers a great support network for all managers.

Martin Taylor, Service Manager, Progressive Care Ltd 84% agreed that they better understood how to make improvements to their service

Provides information that you can trust.

Dawn Crosby, Registered Manager, Spencer House Residential Home



84% agreed they felt more positive about their current role

It is an excellent networking event which caters to current topics ... it is supportive, informative and fun.

Natalie Dibble, Registered Manager, Care Home

83% agreed they felt more confident in their current role

The network keeps you up-to-date with pertinent information, regional and national issues. It is also a great opportunity to network with other providers and widen own perspective on issues facing the sector or to share innovative practices.

Natasha Potter, Service Manager, Northumberland County Council - Short-Term Support Services (STSS)

Being part of a network offers many benefits including:

- providing a place where managers can come together with other managers in the local area
- sharing experiences and guidance and supporting each other's challenges
- connecting with peers to feel less isolated.

Find out more about being part of a <u>registered manager network</u> or a <u>deputy manager network</u> in your local area.