

Could you lead a network for registered managers in your area?

How do managers benefit from networks?

There are over 140 networks for registered managers across England, chaired by managers, for managers. When we surveyed the managers attending networks:

- 70% agree or strongly agreed that they felt less isolated as a result of attending network meetings
- 68% agreed or strongly agreed that they felt more confident and prepared for CQC inspections.
- 69% agreed or strongly agreed that they felt more positive about their current position as a result of attending a network

“If we didn’t have each other to speak to we’d have these concerns and worries building upon us and nobody to speak to and no outlet for them”

What can you do?

We think that every registered manager in England should have access to peer-support, information and best practice via a network. Could you:

- Set-up a network or work with other managers you know to start a network?
- Chair a network meeting?
- Host a network meeting or contribute ideas to an agenda for a meeting?
- Support the growth of a new network and attend network meetings?

What support is available to start new networks?

- Every manager who chairs a network has a designated Skills for Care locality manager to support them. They can help you to set-up your initial meeting, plan agendas and identify guest speakers. They will also attend network meetings.
- Our locality managers arrange bi-annual or annual meetings just for network chairs. These are an opportunity for you to discuss what is working well and what isn’t and share best practice with other chairs.
- Ask your Locality Manager about other support opportunities available to network Chairs.
- A grant of up-to £750 is available to meet the cost of running a network.

What else do I need to know?

Contact your Skills for Care locality manager to talk about setting-up a network in your area. You can find contact details for your nearest locality manager [here](#).