December 2022 Survey – Looking after my health



1. Do you have any concerns about looking after your health?

Answer Choices			Response Total
1	Yes	37.50%	3
2	Sometimes	25.00%	2
3	No	37.50%	3
4	Other (please specify):	0.00%	0
		answered	8
		skipped	0

8 people answered this survey.

3 people had concerns about their health 2 people sometimes did. 3 people had no concerns about their health

Comments about health concerns:

Eating healthy due to having to work unsocial hours due to carers duties.

When I do (*have health concerns*) I talk to my support workers so I don't get anxious.

Losing weight



2. Do you have enough support to look after your health?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes always		62.50%	5
2	Yes sometimes		25.00%	2
3	I would like support or more support		12.50%	1
4	I do not need support/ this does not apply to me		0.00%	0
5	Other (please specify):		0.00%	0
			answered	8

5 people thought that they always had enough support to look after their health, 2 had enough support sometimes and 1 said they would like support or more support.

Comments about support

• My PA or parents help me.



 3 or 4 of Aspire support workers have supported me with various issues over the years. Only a couple of times there have been issues if lots of staff are on leave. I also feel I can complain about staff if I need to. Only did that once and it was fine.

Comments about support





- Depends what sort of staff it is. One staff is better than the others. I would choose who to talk to. The hospital was never very good to go to. They didn't explain properly. I recently had a vaccination. I was very reluctant to have it. It was ok in the end but I wish there was a better way to have it.
- My carer helps me. Waits can be long but my experience at the hospital and GP has been pretty good. I think they are brilliant. I usually understand what they say and always have my support worker with me. I can't really think of anything they could do better.

3. Any other comments? E.G. support you would like.

Someone to help around the house to ease the burden off me and possibly help cook meals.

I always want at least one support worker that I can go to. I have one good one and another higher up.

My dad supports me



3. Any other comments? E.G. support you would like.

I always have support to visit the doctors or hospital except for routine stuff like blood tests.

Without the support, I can't follow what the hospital doctors say.

I once took the wrong tablets because they talked too fast and I didn't follow what they said.

From then on I have had support.

I once asked the doctor to write it down and he refused. He said

he didn't have time!



What does this tell us? + Possible response ideas

Getting your health checked

The people that filled out the survey are a small sample.

Most have some health concerns but say that they have enough support.

Ways the board could help:

- Support day activities that are delivering encouragement to have annual health checks.
- Publicise any Easy Read resources about looking after your health and how to use Pharmacies, 111, GP and hospital services. These tell people they can take support with them.
- Target support workers and carers with helpful suggestions and information.
- Do you have any other suggestions?

Future survey developments and action.

The numbers of surveys was very low in December and January and I was unable to visit services to boost numbers.

If the board decides to keep doing these polls -Please keep promoting polls/ surveys.

We (the sub-group) will meet to decide the next three polls.

I note there has been some successful Changing Places funding. Do we still wish to do a Changing places poll? If so, this will be the next one.



