Talking points

These talking points can help to kick-start exploratory conversations about cross-sector partnership working, and demonstrate the potential value of working together.



Relationships

How would you describe the relationships between the voluntary, community, faith and social enterprise (VCFSE) sector and your Integrated Care Partnership and/or Primary Care Network?



Common goals

What are the shared goals? Are they shared across all health and voluntary sector partners?



Local structures

What are the local structures in the area and what are they responsible for? Do health agencies attend VCFSE-led forums?



Roles

How and who do you engage within the local Primary Care Network, for example? What are the roles you have come across?



Navigating challenges

How do you make stuff happen if the relationship is hard to establish? What is there to build on, including opportunities for joint working?



Making connections

What cross-sector relationship(s) do you want to nurture or address? How can you build or connect relationship(s), and what have you got to help you?



Representation

Are the right partners and representatives around the 'table' (whether it is part of the Primary Care Network, Integrated Care Partnership, Integrated Care Community or another connecting structure)?



Valuing expertise

What parts of the voluntary sector expertise and experience are less valued (or known about) where you are? Where and how might they be part of the answer?



See the inspiration behind these puzzle pieces at:

https://www.ivar.org.uk/vcfse-pcn-together-for-local-health

Learning/opportunities

What has changed in your local area since the pandemic? What are the opportunities that might be available to you, that weren't before?



How can local partners collectively protect the best parts of the culture and partnership that is working for the good of local people, while still working with those changes in the system?



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