New organisations are joining the ReSPECT adoption network, working as whole Sustainability and Transformation Partnerships (STPs), or as smaller collaboratives. Interest in the process is growing. If you have adopted ReSPECT and have not yet registered with us, please can you contact us as a matter of urgency.

We continue to build relationships and establish links with the CQC and complementary initiatives such as Coordinate My Care (CMC). Partnership working with the Professional Record Standards Body (PRSB) is ongoing, and we are building links with NHS RightCare since Professor Matthew Cripps (National Director of NHS RightCare) presented at the ReSPECT conference in May.

We are also making connections with other charities, such as Bliss and Compassion in Dying, who are working on related projects such as the Bliss Baby Charter. Compassion in Dying recently published a report on ‘The role of Ambulance Trusts in respecting people’s end-of-life wishes’.

We recently attended the stakeholder event: European understandings of advance decision-making, and will also be attending an international conference in Amsterdam later this month to share our experience of ReSPECT. Plans are also underway for early adopter meetings, and ways to address adopter’s frequently asked questions.

Finally, I’m pleased to say that I’ll be moving into a new, full-time role within the ReSPECT and Resuscitation Council (UK) family, taking up the role of ReSPECT Clinical Lead.

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