

## Patients' Council Diary of Events Report Form

<b>Event Title</b>	<b>Rochdale GP West Cluster Practice Based Commissioning Patients Forum</b>
<b>Date</b>	<b>27 January 2010</b>
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<b>Overview of Event</b>	<p>The new Equitable GP practice located near Morrison's Superstore on Kingsway was welcomed as a new member of the cluster thus making a total of 10 GP practices within the cluster.</p> <p>Discussions took place around Patient PBC Forum notice boards, being located in GP surgeries and health centres, displaying cluster information in an attempt to generate interest and encourage other patients to join the cluster.</p> <p>A trial is being discussed into the utilisation of community volunteer transport services to assist in the transportation of patients to medical appointments. By forming a partnership between the cluster and the transport group it is envisaged efficiencies could be made for the cluster with patient's experiences being improved. Passenger transport services (PTS) are very keen on the idea and are watching the outcome closely as it may release some of the pressure on themselves and offer greater utilisation of resources</p>

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