CQC inspection of LAS will be in June. Please see below the responses to your questions in ‘blue’.

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 Dear Roger, I hope you are well. I understand that you are due to inspect the LAS in April. Would it be possible to discuss in advance of that visit:

1. What process will be used to invite patients, Forum members, members of the public, HW and FT members to an event prior to the inspection?
* There will be a listening event for the public a week or so before the visit. We will write to London HWs and yourselves about venue, times etc.

1. ‘Have 'Experts by Experience’ been invited to join the inspection and how did you select appropriate EbyE for the inspection team?
* ExEs will be invited to join the inspection team in due course. We go through  a third party for the supply of ExEs and they come from organisations such as Age UK

1. Can you confirm that the Forum will be invited to the Summit following the inspection?
* Yes, a representative from the Forum will be invited to the Summit

D)    The Forum will produce report for CQC prior to the visit. When would you require this?

* We will write to you closer the inspection for this report

# Health organisations to display CQC inspection ratings

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Public and private health and care providers will have to display their Care Quality Commission inspection results, following new rules presented to Parliament last week.

These rules, which cover GP surgeries, care homes and hospitals, mean that the ratings will need to be displayed prominently in entrances, waiting rooms and on websites.

This is designed to strengthen transparency in healthcare, with patients being able to see how services are performing and make informed choices about their care.

You can read the [government’s response](https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/transparency-in-care-visible-ratings-for-health-and-care-providers%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank%22%20%5Co%20%22https%3A//www.gov.uk/government/consultations/transparency-in-care-visible-ratings-for-health-and-care-providers) to the consultation into visible ratings for health and care providers.

The CQC is asking these organisations to [share their thoughts](http://www.cqc.org.uk/content/consultation-display-cqc-ratings-and-changes-our-guidance-providers%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank%22%20%5Co%20%22http%3A//www.cqc.org.uk/content/consultation-display-cqc-ratings-and-changes-our-guidance-providers) on how they can make sure they are meeting these new requirements from April.

The law is expected to come into force on 1 April 2015, subject to Parliamentary approval.