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WUTH and WCHC proud to celebrate Armed Forces Week 2026

Next week, WUTH and WCHC will proudly celebrate Armed Forces Week, joining organisations across the country in recognising the contribution of serving personnel, reservists, veterans, cadets and military families.

Armed Forces Week is an opportunity to celebrate the dedication, commitment and service of the Armed Forces community and recognise the valuable contribution they make nationally and within our own organisation.



Supporting the Armed Forces community remains an important part of WUTH and WCHC's values and culture. Both Trusts have signed the Armed Forces Covenant as a public commitment to supporting serving personnel, reservists, veterans and military families and has also achieved the Employers Armed Forces Covenant Silver Award in recognition of its work supporting members of the Armed Forces community into NHS careers and creating an inclusive workplace.

Both Trusts have also been recognised as a Veteran Aware Trust by the Veterans Covenant Healthcare Alliance (VHCA), reflecting the work taking place across services to improve care and experiences for veterans, reservists, members of the Armed Forces and their families.

A key part of this support is delivered through our Armed Forces Staff Network.

The network brings together colleagues who are veterans, reservists, service family members and supporters of the Armed Forces community. It provides a welcoming space to connect, share experiences and build relationships across the Trust while helping colleagues feel supported, valued and represented.

The network also plays an important role in raising awareness of the Armed Forces community across WUTH and WCHC, championing understanding of the unique skills and experiences colleagues bring into the workplace.

Throughout Armed Forces Week, colleagues are encouraged to get involved and support events taking place across the Trust:

- Flag Raising Ceremony
Monday 22nd June
11.00am
St Catherine's Health Centre

- Armed Forces Network Meet and Greet
Thursday 25th June
12pm-2pm
Room 7, Education Centre, Arrowe Park Hospital
- Information stands
Available throughout the week in the main foyers at Arrowe Park Hospital and St Catherine's Health Centre

We look forward to coming together to celebrate Armed Forces Week and continue showing our support for colleagues, patients and communities connected to the Armed Forces.