In the last few months I have had a number of emails about the Coalition Government's reforms of the NHS. I hope this newsletter answers the questions you have raised and helps resolve some of the genuine concerns about the reforms.

Thank you for your email about the reforms of the NHS

There has been a lot of misinformation about our reforms. Year on year we will be spending more on the NHS and we are NOT privitising the NHS. Here in Broxtowe, local GP's have welcomed the reforms which will

- Cut managers, waste and bureaucracy, to give extra money to front line services to pay for things like the Cancer Drugs Fund.
- Give control over NHS services to frontline doctors and nurses and take it out of the hands of ministers and managers, so that patients get the best possible care.
- Inject real democracy into the NHS for the first time in almost 40 years through the creation of Health and Wellbeing Boards,
which will drive the integration of health and social care.

- Focus the NHS on the results it actually delivers for patients by allowing the best people – whether from the public, independent or charitable sectors – to deliver the care which patients need.

Three generations of my family have worked in the NHS. My grandmother trained as a nurse and then worked for Nottingham City Council; my mother worked for forty years as a radiograther and therapist; my brother works at the QMC and my sister-in-law is a GP receptionist in Wollaton.

I use the NHS and am proud that we enjoy an NHS that is free to everyone, based on need and not on the ability to pay. I do hope you will click on the links opposite and read more about the reforms and in particular read the MYTH BUSTER.

Thank you for contacting me and please keep in touch.

With best wishes

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